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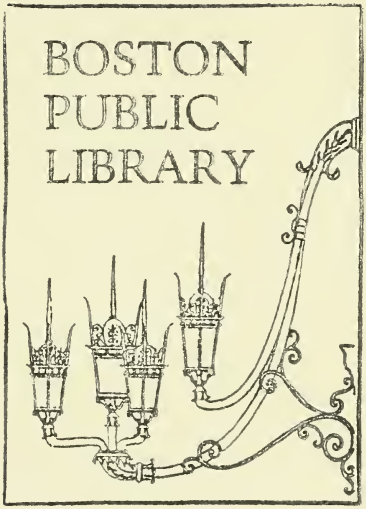
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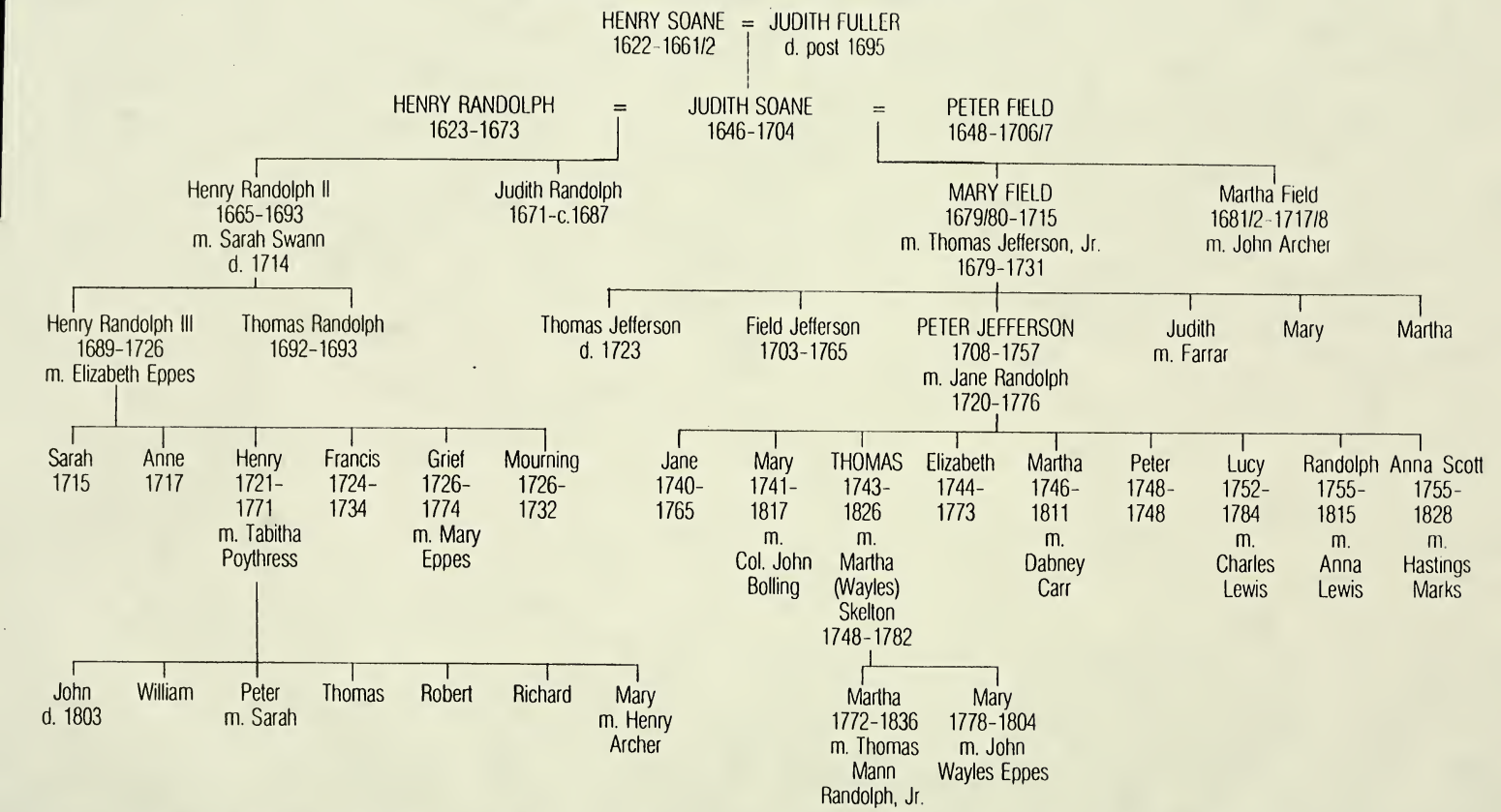

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FOREWORD

The descent of Thomas Jefferson from the Jeffersons in Britain has been explored by many but with no success before his great grandfather, Thomas Jefferson I, who married Mary Branch. Their son Thomas Jefferson Jr. (II) married Mary Field, daughter of Peter Field and Judith (Soane) Randolph (see frontispiece for their genealogical chart as well as pages 54 and following).

The father of Judith (Soane) Randolph-Field was Henry Soane, Speaker of the Virginia House of Burgesses 1660/1661 and great-great grandfather of Thomas Jefferson. The excellent documentation of Thomas Jefferson's descent from Henry Soane and his wife Judith (Sr.) was contributed by Claiborne T. Smith, Jr. MD to the chapter "Soane of James City and Henrico" in Volume 5 of John Bennet Boddie's monumental work, Historical Southern Families (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co. 1967).

In Henry Soane, Progenitor of Thomas Jefferson, which I published in 1985, I established that the parents of Henry Soane of Litlington, East Sussex, England and later Virginia were Henry and Elizabeth (Worger) Soane of Rottingdean, East Sussex, and that his marriage license stated Judith Fuller of Southover (a suburb of Lewes, East Sussex) as his intended bride.

Since then I have discovered that Judith (Fuller) Soane's great-great-great grandfather William Brabon was lord of the Manor of Iridge in East Sussex in 1524/25 and her great grandfather Martin Brabon was lord of the Manor of Iridge from 1539-1556 and Bailiff/Mayor of Hastings in 1559.

This book begins with the ancestry of Henry Soane and his wife Judith (Fuller) Soane (see note on page 52 as to variant spellings in the records of Judith as "Judeth"). It then follows the Field and Jefferson lines of descent to Thomas Jefferson.

Winston Churchill said, "The farther backward you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see." It would seem that the ancestors of Mr. Jefferson presented in this book - prosperous yeomen, gentlemen who served in high offices, and their wives - gave him a fine sense of duty, honor, country.

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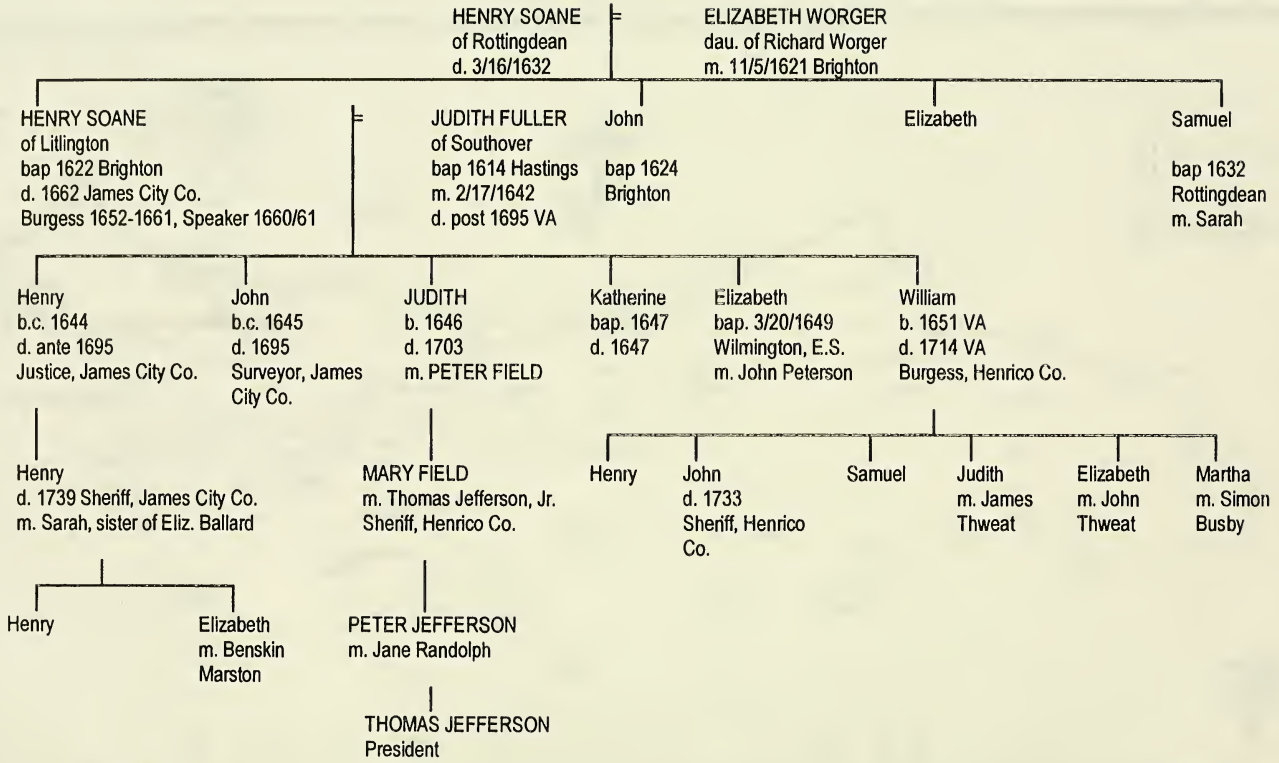
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of Litlington
bap 1622 Brighton
d. 1662 James City Co.
Burgess 1652-1661, Speaker 1660/61
JUDITH FULLER
of Southover
bap 1614 Hastings
m. 2/17/1642
d. post 1695 VA
John
bap 1624
Brighton
Elizabeth
Samuel
bap 1632
Rottingdean
m. Sarah
Henry
b.c. 1644
d. ante 1695
Justice, James City Co.
John
b.c. 1645
d. 1695
Surveyor, James City Co.
JUDITH
b. 1646
d. 1703
m. PETER FIELD
Katherine
bap. 1647
d. 1647
Elizabeth
bap. 3/20/1649
Wilmington, E.S.
m. John Peterson
William
b. 1651 VA
d. 1714 VA
Burgess, Henrico Co.
Henry
d. 1739 Sheriff, James City Co.
m. Sarah, sister of Eliz. Ballard
MARY FIELD
m. Thomas Jefferson, Jr.
Sheriff, Henrico Co.
Henry
John
d. 1733
Sheriff, Henrico Co.
Samuel
Judith
m. James Thweat
Elizabeth
m. John Thweat
Martha
m. Simon Busby
Henry
Elizabeth
m. Benskin Marston
PETER JEFFERSON
m. Jane Randolph
THOMAS JEFFERSON
President

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THE SOANES OF ROTTINGDEAN AND LITLINGTON, AND THE WORGERS OF BRIGHTON, EAST SUSSEX

HENRY SOANE of Rottingdean and ELIZABETH WORGER of Brighton were married on 5 November 1621 at the Church of St. Nicolas of Myra, Brighton.[1] It was known as "church of the fishermen" (St. Nicolas was patron saint of fishermen) and, in ancient times, was a beacon and landmark for fishermen in the English Channel.[2]

ELIZABETH WORGER brought to her marriage a dowry of 80 pounds: 60 pounds inherited from her father RICHARD WORGER, owner of fishing boats;[3] 20 pounds inherited from her maternal grandfather THOMAS HUMPHREY.[4]

The children of HENRY and ELIZABETH (WORGER) SOANE, christened at St. Nicolas, Brighton, were: HENRY (the emigrant to Virginia), bap. 17 Nov. 1622; John, bap. 20 Jan 1624/5; Marie, bap. 7 Jan 1626/7, bur. 21 Jan 1626/7; and Robard, bap. 9 May 1628 (died prior to Feb. 1632).[5] Their son Samuell was baptised 24 May 1632 at Rottingdean (three months after his father's death).[6] Elizabeth, their daughter, was recorded only in the will of HENRY SOANE, dated 6 February 1632, my transcription of which follows:[7]

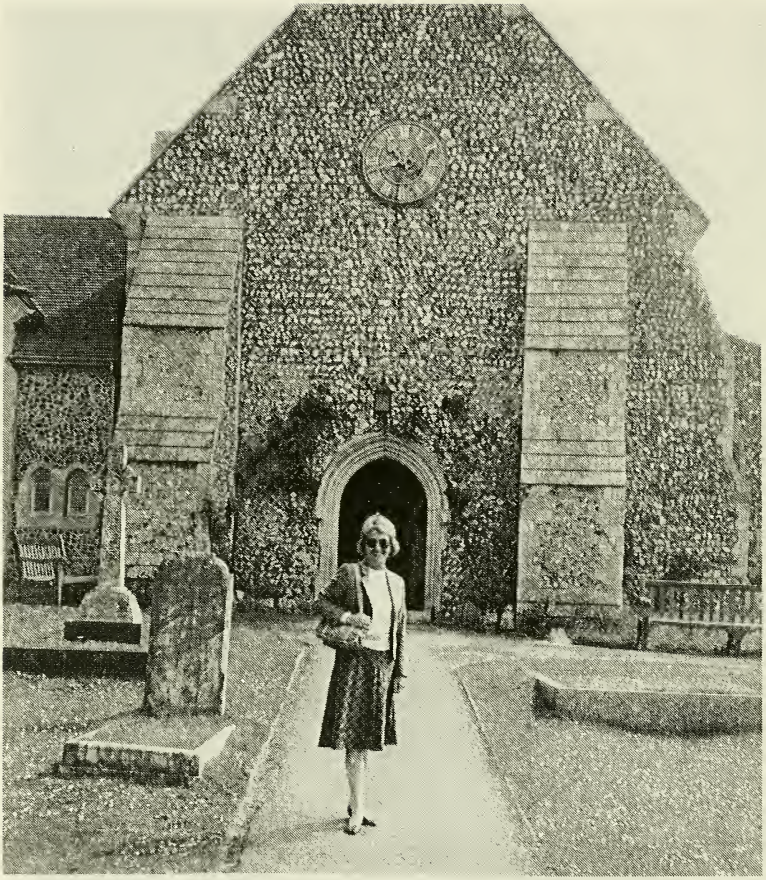
THE WILL OF HENRY SOANE OF ROTTINGDEAN

In the Name of God Amen. The sixth day of February, one thousand six hundred thirty two in the seventh year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord Charles of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, king, defender of the faith. I HENRY SOANE of the Parish of Rottingdean being of sound and perfect memory, thanks be to God, do ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. That is, imprimis, I bequeath my soul unto the Almighty, my blessed Creator, and my body to be buried in the church yard of Rottingdean above said. Item: I give unto the poor of the said parish of Rottingdean the sum of five shillings to be paid by mine executor hereafter mentioned within one month next after my decease. Item: I give unto my eldest son HENRY SOANE all my lands in Herstmonceux being rented at sixteen pounds German. Also I will and bequeath unto my said son HENRY the sum of threescore pounds to be paid him when he shall accomplish the age of twenty and one years. And my mind and pleasure is that mine executor shall not sell, cut down, or waste and strip the said land before bequeathal, lying, situate and being in the parish of Herstmonceau, of the woods growing and being on the said grounds, but that it

shall be preserved entire for my said son HENRY till he shall accomplish the age of one and twenty years. Provided nevertheless and it is my will and mind that, if the said HENRY happen to die and depart this life before he accomplishes the said age of one and twenty that then the said messuage of sixteen pounds German in the said parish of Herstmonceax shall come to my other two sons John and Samuell equally to be divided between them. Item: I will and bequeath unto my second son John Soane the sum of two hundred pounds to be paid unto him when he shall accomplish the full age of one and twenty years, provided and it is my will that, if the said John die before he accomplishes the age of one and twenty, that the said sum of two hundred pounds shall be equally divided among my surviving children. Item: I give unto my youngest son Samuell all my land situate, lying and being in the parish of Southease. Also I give unto my said son Samuel the sum of threescore pounds to be paid unto him when he shall accomplish the age of twenty and one years, but if the said Samuel shall depart this life before he accomplishes the said age of twenty and one, my mind is that the said sum of Threescore pounds shall be equally divided among my surviving children. Item: I

give unto my daughter Elizabeth the sum of one hundred pounds to be paid unto her when she shall accomplish the age of eighteen years or at her day of marriage which shall first happen. Provided and it is my mind that if my said daughter Elizabeth happen to die before she accomplishes the said age of eighteen years that the said sum of one hundred pounds shall be equally divided among my surviving children. Item: I give unto my wife ELIZABETH the sum of five pounds as a token of my love. Item: I constitute ordain, and make my wife ELIZABETH my sole executrix of all goods and lands unbequeathed and not given. Last of all, I entreat my loving and well-wishing friends Thomas Savage of Rottingdean, John Wisby of Brighthelmstone innholder, and John Worger the elder of Brighthelmstone before named to be the overseers of this my last will and testament to see all things fulfilled, executed and done according to my mind and intent in all things before specified. In witness whereof, I have set to my hand and seal. HENRY SOANE. In the presence of Robert Baker [Rector of Rottingdean 1627-1662?], Thomas Savage, and John Worger. PROBATE March 16, 1632 granted to ELIZABETH SOANE, executrix.

Church of St. Nicolas of Myra, Brighton



Author at Church of St. Margaret, Rottingdean

HENRY SOANE of Rottingdean may have been the grandson of Edmund Soane of East Grinstead (administration 1561),[8] and the son of Edward Soane of Fletching, East Sussex, yeoman, (will 7 Oct. 1592, proved 1594),[9] whose wife Elizabeth and his first son "Harry" (Henry of Rottingdean?) were his executors and received the remainder of his estate. His other children, all born in East Grinstead and mentioned in his will, were Edward (b. 21 June 1562) who later lived in Lewes and Brighton; Alice/Agnes (b. 2 Aug. 1567); Elizabeth (b. 25 March 1570); and Jonas (b. 17 Nov. 1581) of Lewes in 1608.[10] No wills are extant for Edward and his son Harrie (b. Brighton 1594) or for Jonas and his son Henry (b. Lewes 1608).

In 1624 HENRY SOANE of Rottingdean held a freehold tenement in Lewes and a copyhold tenement in Southease.[11] Parish Registers of Southease record these children of Henry Soane and his first wife Anna:[12] Mary b. 1606/7, buried 1608, Henry b. 1608, buried 1614, Elizabeth b. 1611, buried 1615, George b. 1616, Samuel b. 1618. George and this Samuel were not mentioned in the will of Henry Soane of Rottingdean and, like their siblings, must have died young. In Brighton, Henry's cresimor was buried 6 Aug. 1621 and his wife Anna was buried 9 Aug. 1621.[13] HENRY married ELIZABETH WORGER of Brighton 5 Nov. 1621.

HENRY SOANE (of Rottingdean and Southease) was presented as

dead at the court on 13 June 1633 and an ox forfeited as a heriot was redeemed by his widow ELIZABETH for the sum of 80 shillings; their youngest son and customary heir of the Southease property was named as Samuel Soane, aged about 11½.[14] On 30 Sept. 1633, Abraham Thomas, now husband of ELIZABETH (married on 6 July 1633)[15], was admitted tenant during Samuel's minority, and the guardianship of Samuel was granted to ELIZABETH.[16]

John Worger the elder of Brighthelmstone (now Brighton), noted as overseer of HENRY SOANE's will, was brother of HENRY SOANE's wife ELIZABETH WORGER. The bequests of John Worger, yeoman, in his will dated 12 July 1641,[17] were to his wife, sisters Mary (Worger) Gunn-Stammer and ELIZABETH (WORGER) SOANE-THOMAS, and (3rd-in-line legatee) Samuel Soane, "son of HENRY SOANE."

The father of ELIZABETH (WORGER) SOANE-THOMAS was RICHARD WORGER of Brighton, as established by John A. Brayton in his excellent article "The Maternal Ancestry of Henry Soane."[18] The transcription of his will, kindly supplied by John Brayton, follows:[19]

THE WILL OF RICHARD WORGER OF BRIGHTON

In the name of God amen. The seven and twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord God according to the computation of the Church of England one thousand six hundred and fourteen. I RICHARD WORGER sick in body but of perfect remembrance thanks be unto Almighty God do make and ordain my last will and testament in manner and form as hereafter followeth. And first I do bequeath my soul unto Almighty God my creator hoping through the merits of my Lord and savior Jesus Christ to have free forgiveness of all my sins. And I do commit my body into the earth, there to remain until the resurrection...And in the meantime to be buried by the discretion of my overseers. And for my worldly goods I do will and bequeath them as hereafter followeth. First I do will and bequeath unto the poor people of the town of Brighthelmston five pounds of lawful English money whereof I will that the one half to be distributed at the day of my burial and the other half to be distributed the same day comes twelve month at the discretion of my overseers. Item: I do will and bequeath unto my son Thomas Worger my Bark called the Mary with all manner of masts, sails, anchors, cables, ropes, tables and all manner of

implements and necessaries wherewith the said barke is usually fitted to go to sea.

And also I do will and bequeath unto my said son Thomas Worger twenty loads of yarn nets/cable all fitted ready to be had to sea and also four of my winding ropes, and the two capstans that are upon the two westmost stakes. Item: I do give and bequeath thirty pounds of lawful English money to be delivered unto my wellbeloved brothers Thomas Humphrey and John Humphrey to be by them bestowed upon and about the necessary building of my said barke called the Mary to the use of my said son Thomas Worger. Provided always and my very will and meaning that my said son Thomas Worger shall not enter upon or challenge my said bark nets or any other implements thereunto belonging or any profits that shall come thereof but that the custody thereof shall remain and be in the full possession of my said two brothers Thomas Humphrey and John Humphrey until my said son Thomas Worger shall accomplish the full age of two and twenty years at which time he shall be contented with such accountings as they shall give unto him for the profit thereof and also shall be contented with such allowance as they shall think fit to allow him for the necessary expenses of his

maintenance.

Item: my will is that, whereas I have given unto my son John Worger one yard and a half of copyhold land with a barn and one house with the appurtenances wherein Henry Baker now dwelleth and a shop and a stake under the Cliffe, my son William Gunn shall have the rest of my said lands and barn toward the bringing up of my said son John with meat, drink, and apparel and the necessary reparations of my said house, barn, and shop and shall receive the rent and profits of my said house and shop and be accountable therefore unto my said son John to be unto him at a stock when he shall accomplish his age of twenty one years. Provided always that if said son William Gunn or my daughter Mary now his wife do happen to die before my said son John shall accomplish the said age of one and twenty years, that then my said brother Thomas Humphrey and John Humphrey shall do in this case as my said son William Gunn should have done. Item: I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Mary the wife of William Gunn five pounds to be paid unto her within one year after my decease. Item: I do will and bequeath unto Richard Gunn the son of William Gunn and the said Mary my daughter ten pounds to be paid unto my said son William Gunn to

the use of the said Richard within one year after my decease. Item: I do will and bequeath unto ELIZABETH WORGER my daughter thirty pounds to be delivered unto John Humphrey my brother to the use of the said ELIZABETH my daughter within one year after my decease. And my will is that my said brother shall be accountable unto my said daughter ELIZABETH for twelve pence for the pound for the use of the said stock from the time that he shall ... the same until she shall accomplish her age of one and twenty years or day of marriage which shall first happen. Item: I do give and bequeath unto my said son Thomas Worger my saddle in the chamber over the hall with the featherbed, bolster, two blankets and coverlets thereon now lying with the table...and benches in the same chamber being and the table...and benches in the chamber with the cupboard there being. Item: I do give and bequeath more unto my said son Thomas Worger my boat called the John with all ropes, sails, cables, anchors belonging and necessary implements unto the said boat belonging and also all my nets both for ... and shotnets for except my cockboat and cocknets and all necessary implements unto the said cockboat and cocknets be-longing the which I do give and bequeath unto Mary my wife.

Item: Whereas I have...unto my brother Thomas Humphrey all those my copyhold lands lying in Stanmer upon condition that he shall pay unto mine executor the sum of two hundred pounds within one year after my decease, I do will and bequeath unto Grace Worger my daughter the sum of forty pounds to be paid unto her at the age of one and twenty years or day of marriage which shall first happen. Item: Whereas it hath so pleased God that Mary my wife is now with child my will and meaning is that, if it shall please God that it shall be a manchild I will and bequeath unto it the sum of fourscore pounds to be paid unto it when it shall accomplish the age of one and twenty years. But if it be a maiden child, then I will and bequeath unto it the sum of forty pounds to be paid unto it when it shall accomplish the age of eighteen years or day of marriage which shall first happen. And if it shall happen that the child yet to be born or the said Grace my daughter do either of them die before they shall accomplish their several ages above mentioned, then my will is that the longer liver of either of them now shall have the other's portion. But if it do please God that both of them do die before they shall accomplish the age aforesaid, that then the said two portions shall be divided amongst so many of

my other children as shall be then living. Moreover, my will and meaning is that whereas I have given unto my said son Thomas Worger my boat called the Zepher with all my nets and implements belonging to fishing craft as is aforesaid, that my said two brothers Thomas Humphrey and John Humphrey shall have full possession thereof and be accountable for the profits thereof unto my said son Thomas when he shall come to the age of one and twenty years as aforesaid. And lastly, I do give unto my said daughter ELIZABETH WORGER the sum of thirty pounds more, to be delivered to my said brother John Humphrey within three years after my decease, he allowing unto her at the age of eightteen years or day of marriage which shall first happen twelve pence with five pounds for the use thereof. The rest of all my goods and chattels and debts owing unto me, my debts being paid and my legacies in this my present last will and testament given and...performed and paid with my several expenses discharged, I do give and bequeath unto Mary my wife whom I do ordain and make my whole executrix of this my last will and testament utterly. And making void all other wills and testaments heretofore made by these presents. And I do desire my wellbeloved brothers Thomas Humphrey

and John Humphrey and my cousin Edward Artlett to be my overseers of this my said last will and testament to see the same performed and executed according to the true meaning hereof. And I do give unto either of them for their pains taken herein over and above their necessary expenses to be allowed by my executrix the sum of ten shillings. In witness whereof I have unto this, my present last will and testament being contained in these two sheets of paper, put my hand and seal the day and year first hereunto given. RICHARD WORGER his mark, sealed, signed, and delivered within the presence of George Randall, Thomas Humphrey, John Humphrey, Edward Artlett [his mark], William Gunn [his mark]. PROBATE March 1, 1614.

The eldest son of HENRY and ELIZABETH (WORGER) SOANE of Rottingdean, HENRY SOANE of Litlington, gentleman, and JUDITH FULLER of Southover, maiden, were granted a marriage license by the Archdeaconry of Lewes on 17 February 1642/3, the wedding to have been held at St. John subCastro, Lewes.[20] Anthony Attwood of AGRA searched parish records of that and all other local churches in Lewes (including St. John the Baptist, Southover), but found no record of the Soane/Fuller wedding. For the period 1640-1675 there are no surviving parish records or Bishop's Transcripts for Litlington where the wedding may have been held. Parish records of other possible sites of the wedding also were examined: Wilmington (near Litlington) and St. Clements with All Saints, Hastings. As Frank Leeson, editor of the "Sussex Marriage Index," explained: record-keeping was haphazard and many parish records were destroyed during the Civil War (1642-1649).

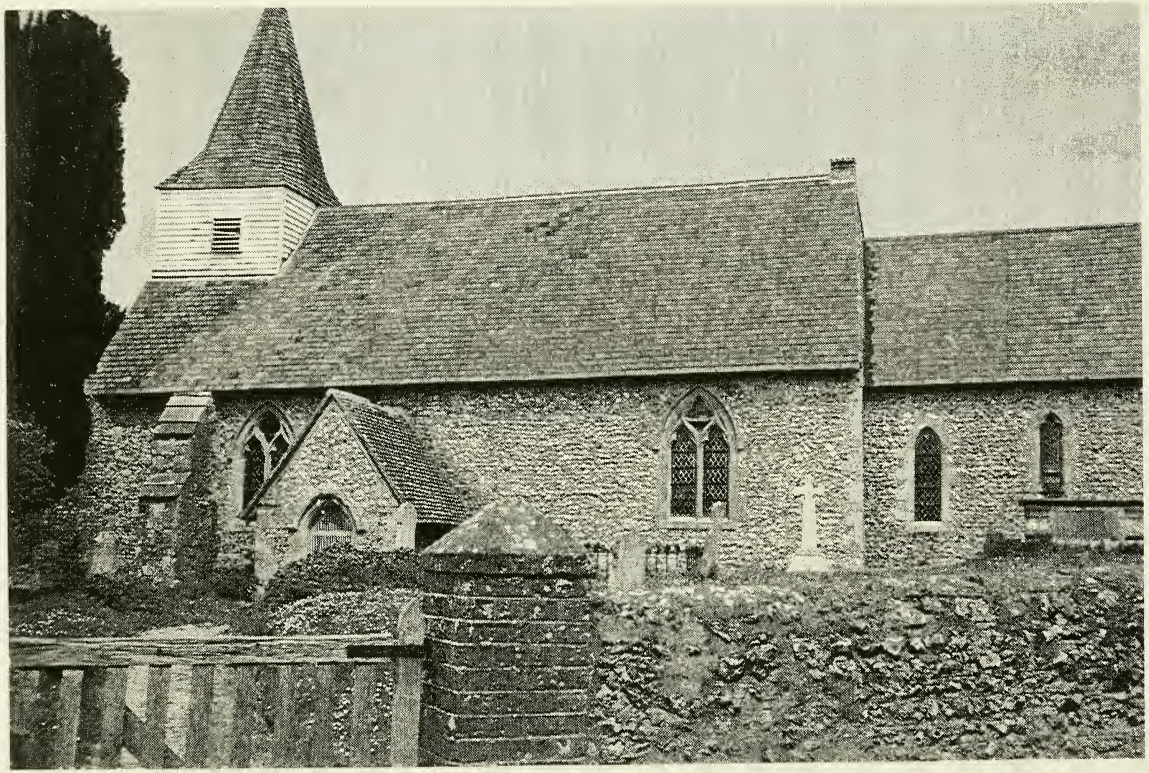
HENRY SOANE was "of Litlington" because that was the residence (possibly the manor house) of his step-father Abraham Thomas.[21] JUDITH FULLER was "of Southover" (a suburb of Lewes) because her aunt Martha (Brabon) Slutter may have been living there in 1642 (Her husband Benjamin Slutter, gentleman, had lived in Lewes for 15 years prior to moving to Hastings and later Newhaven).[22]

In succeeding chapters it will be seen that, though eight years older

than HENRY, JUDITH was well educated, had inherited a handsome dowry, and was descended from the ancient and prominent family of the Brabons of Iridge and Hastings.

Their children were: Henry Jr., John, JUDETH JR., Katherine, Elizabeth, and William.[23] The search for their birth records was successful except for Henry Jr. and John. Though the parish of Litlington has no surviving parish records for 1640-1675, it was served by the nearby Wilmington Priory[24] and in the Wilmington Parish record book are notices of: the baptism of Katherine, daughter of HENRY SOANE, gentleman, Aug. 8, 1647, died Aug. 22, 1647 and the baptism of Elizabeth, daughter of HENRY SOANE, gentleman, March 20, 1649.[25] The years of birth of JUDETH JR. (1646 England) and William (1651 Virginia) were recorded in Henrico County, Virginia.[26]

My text/genealogical charts indicate for whom HENRY and JUDITH SOANE'S children probably were named: Henry Jr. for his father/paternal grandfather; John for his maternal grandfather; JUDETH JR. for her mother/maternal aunt; Elizabeth for her paternal grandmother; William for his maternal cousin, William Slutter.



Church of St. Michael the Archangel, Litlington

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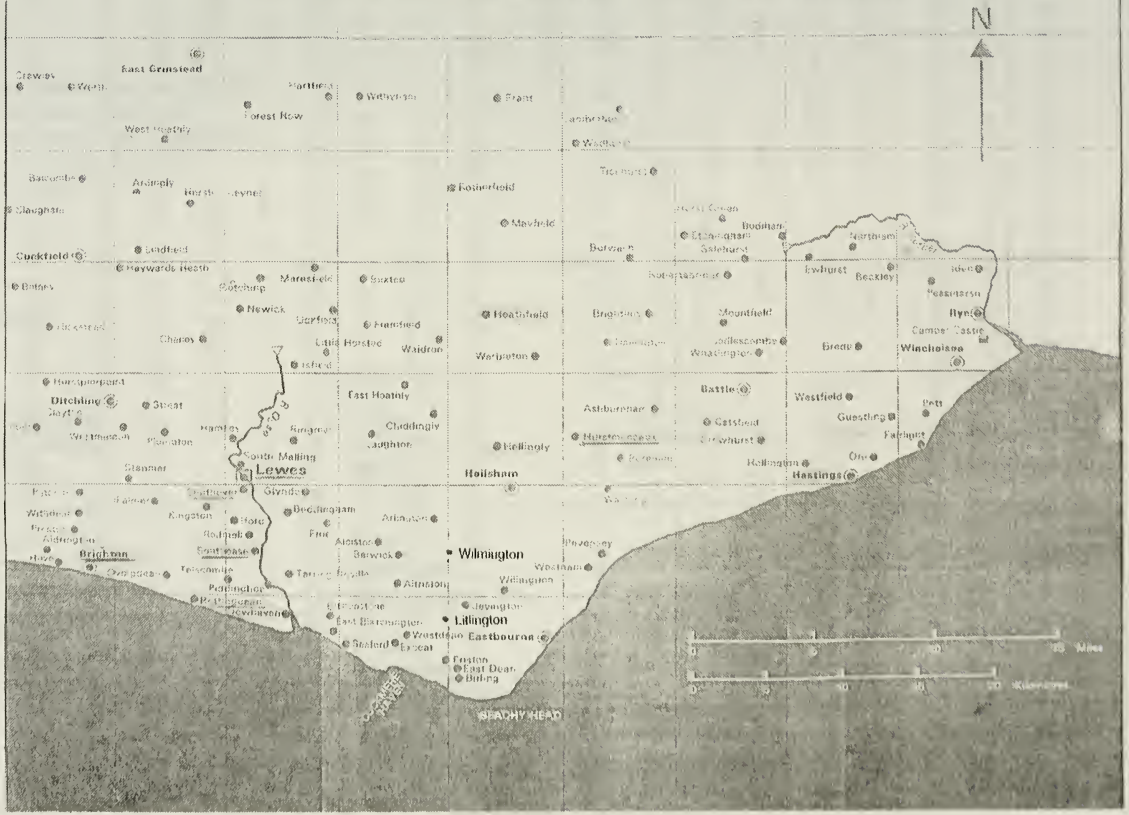
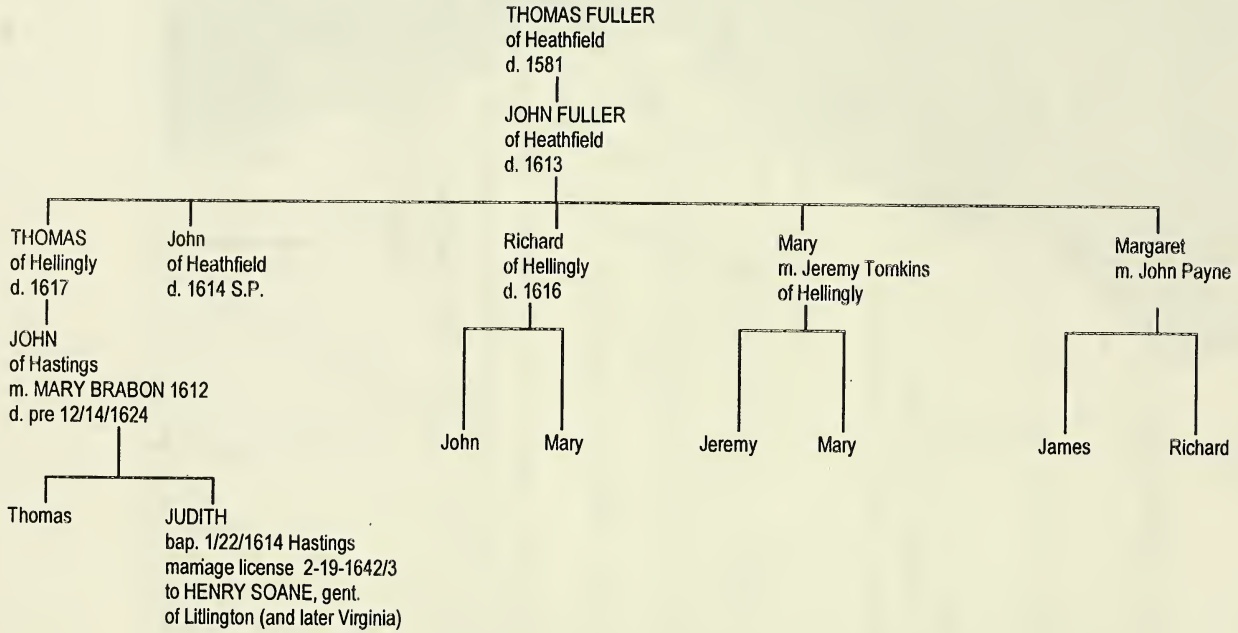
Map of East Sussex - Locales of Goanes, Worgers, Fullers, and Brabons




THOMAS FULLER
of Heathfield
d. 1581
JOHN FULLER
of Heathfield
d. 1613
THOMAS
of Hellingly
d. 1617
John
of Heathfield
d. 1614 S.P.
Richard
of Hellingly
d. 1616
Mary
m. Jeremy Tomkins
of Hellingly
Margaret
m. John Payne
JOHN
of Hastings
m. MARY BRABON 1612
d. pre 12/14/1624
John
Mary
Jeremy
Mary
James
Richard
Thomas
JUDITH
bap. 1/22/1614 Hastings
marriage license 2-19-1642/3
to HENRY SOANE, gent.
of Litlington (and later Virginia)

In the Domesday Survey, the Hundred of Hawksborough was part of the Honour and Barony of Hastings and now contains the parishes of Burwash, Heathfield, and Warbleton (see map, page 21).[1]

During the reign of Elizabeth, the iron industry expanded, to the great enrichment of Sussex county and its ironmasters.[2] The ironworks formerly carried on in Heathfield by the Fuller family provided constant employment for half the population of the parish.[3] The cannon made in Heathfield were said to be of better quality and capable of fetching a higher price than any others made in the kingdom.[4]

The pedigree chart which I have compiled of the Fuller ancestors of JUDITH FULLER SOANE is based on original wills, which I have abstracted, and parish records. JUDITH'S Great-great grandfather THOMAS FULLER of Heathfield (whose administration was dated 18 Sept. 1581[5]) was the father of JOHN FULLER of Heathfield,[6] whose will was dated 14 Feb. 1602:[7] Bequests to eldest son THOMAS; sons John and Richard; daughters Mary and Margaret; John to receive "all my tools belonging to my forge."

The residue of his estate was bequeathed to his wife and executrix,

Elizabeth (formerly married to William Richards), provided that within one month after his decease she "do enter into one obligation of 100 pounds to the overseers of this his last will, his two sons-in-law, Jeremy Tomkins and John Payne." Proved at Lewes on 3 Nov 1613 by THOMAS FULLER, the son of the late JOHN FULLER, Elizabeth Fuller having died before accepting the post of executrix.

THOMAS FULLER of Hellingly, yeoman, will dated 7 Jan 1617/8:[8] Bequests to "my sister Tomkins, wife of Jeremy Tomkins and my sister Payne, wife of John Payne (13 shillings each for mourning rings); Jeremy Tomkins the younger; Mary Tomkins; John Fuller son of my brother Richard Fuller deceased (10 pounds); Susan Collier my servant; Thomas Fuller, son of my son JOHN FULLER (20 pounds); JUDITH FULLER daughter of my son JOHN FULLER (20 marks i.e. 13 pounds); Mary Fuller daughter of my brother Richard Fuller. Residue to my son, executor JOHN FULLER. Overseers of the will: Jeremy Tomkins the younger of Hellingly and George Willocke of Hailsham." Probate on 9 Feb. 1617/8 was granted to JOHN FULLER, son and executor at the prestigious Prerogative Court of Canterbury, London (my transcription of his complete will begins on page 28).[9]

THOMAS FULLER's two brothers were as follows:

1. John Fuller of Heathfield, yeoman, will dated 19

April 1614 and proved at Lewes 5 May 1614:[10] Bequests to "my brother THOMAS FULLER (20 pounds and tools in the shop at Cade Street given me by my father); JOHN FULLER son of my brother THOMAS (10 pounds); my brother Richard Fuller (all my lands); daughters of John Collin of Heathfield (40 shillings each); my sister Margaret Payne (10 pounds per year for life) James and Richard Payne, sons of John Payne (20 pounds each)." Executor brother-in-law Jeremy Tomkins. Overseers: kinsmen Thomas Fuller of Hastings & Jonas Fuller of Heathfield. (NOTE: Thomas Fuller of Hastings died in 1637 seized of extensive lands in Heathfield, Hastings, and Hailsham.)[11]

2. Richard Fuller of Hellingly, smith, will dated 7 Feb. 1615[12] and proved at the Prerogative Court of Canterbury 1616.[13] Bequests to "my wife Dionysis (20 pounds); my daughter Mary (20 pounds); two of the children of my sister Margaret Payne; residue to my son John Fuller [freehold lands in Heathfield and goods and chattels unbequeathed]." Executor to be son John. Overseers to be brothers THOMAS FULLER and Jeremy Tomkins, who were to bring up his

children and see to the education of his son John until the age of 14.

The Archdeaconry of Lewes granted a marriage license on 26 Sept. 1612 to "JOHN FULLER of Hasting and MARY BRABONE of same, maiden; sureties, THOMAS FULLER of Hellingly, yeoman, his father, and Richard Fuller of same, yeoman."[14] In the parish registers of All Saints Church, Hastings is a record of the marriage of JOHN FULLER to MARY BRABAN, dau. of THOMAS BRABAN, 1 Oct. 1612. [15]

In September 1614, JOHN FULLER was listed in the general muster of Hastings and was furnished a musket and pair of curets (breastplate and back plate). In 1615, he was Keeper of the Keys.[16]

Parish registers of St. Clement's Church, Hastings, record :[17]

- 1614/5 Jan. 22 baptised JUDETH dau. of JOHN FULLER
- 1618/9 Mar. 22 buried MARY wife of JOHN FULLER

Tragically, MARY (BRABON) FULLER, the mother of JUDITH FULLER, died in March 1618/9 (after the birth of her son John, baptised in Hailsham on 18 March 1618/9).[18] JUDITH'S father, JOHN FULLER, died prior December 14, 1624, the date of the will of JUDITH's maternal grandfather THOMAS BRABON (see next chapter).[19] The administration of the estate of JOHN FULLER "of

Hailsham" was granted to John Inkersall, Esquire, creditor, 10 Feb. 1625/6 at the PCC.[20]

JOHN FULLER died in Fleet (Debtor's) Prison, London.[21] A note in Latin added to the will of THOMAS FULLER (q.v.) on 24 Nov 1626 stated that the administration of the goods and chattels as yet unadministered was granted to John Inkersall, Esquire, because THOMAS' son and executor JOHN FULLER had died and had not administered the estate of his father according to the terms and requirements of the will of said THOMAS.[22]

JUDITH FULLER's brother John must have died prior to 1624 as he was not mentioned in the 1624 will of her grandfather THOMAS BRABAN (see page 42). JUDITH and her brother Thomas were raised by their aunt and uncle, Martha (Braban) Slutter and Benjamin Slutter, gentleman of Westminster, Lewes, Hastings, and Newhaven.[23]

THE WILL OF THOMAS FULLER OF HELLINGLY

In the name of God Amen: the seventeenth day of January anno domini 1617. I THOMAS FULLER of Hellingly in the County of Sussex, yeoman, being sick and weak in body and in perfect remembrance thanks be given to God Almighty, do ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First, etc. ITEM: I give to my sister Tomkins the wife of Jeremy Tomkins thirteen shillings four pence to buy her a ring. ITEM: I give my sister Payne the wife of John Payne thirteen shillings four pence to buy her a ring. ITEM I give unto Jeremy Tomkins the younger twenty shillings. ITEM: I give and bequeathe unto John Fuller, son of my brother Richard Fuller deceased, ten pounds of lawful money of England to be paid to him at his age of one and twenty years. ITEM: I give unto Susan Collier my servant twenty shillings. ITEM: I will and give unto Thomas Fuller son of my son twenty pounds of lawful money of England to be put out at the most advantage at the discretion of my executor and overseers until he attain the age of one and twenty years. ITEM: I will and give unto JUDITH the daughter of my son JOHN FULLER twenty marks to be put out as aforesaid to the best advantage until her age of twenty-one years or day of marriage which shall first happen.

> And my mind and will is that if it please God either of my said son's children shall die before the other, then the survivor shall have the other's portion. I give unto Mary Fuller daughter of my brother Richard Fuller twenty shillings. All the rest of my goods and chattels unbequeathed my debts, legacies, and funeral expenses paid & discharged, I give will and bequeath unto JOHN FULLER my son whom I make and ordain my sole executor of this my last will and testament provided that my will and meaning is that my said executor shall put in sufficient bonds within one year after my decease unto my overseers to satisfy and pay all my debts within one year after my decease. And I ordain Jeremy Tomkins the younger of Hellingly and George Willocke of Hailsham my overseers & give them in token of love ten shillings apiece over and above their expenses. THOMAS FULLER. Witness whereof: John Collier & William Widdett.

The following is a literal translation from the Latin probate:

> Probate was made for the above written will at London before master Edmund Pope, doctor of law, surrogate to the venerable gentleman John Bennet, knight and doctor of law at the Prerogative Court of Canterbury commissary or custodian for the Court,

legitimately constituted on the ninth day of February in the year of the Lord according to the course and computation of the Church of England one thousand six hundred and seventeen by the oath of John Fuller son and executor named in this will who, by commission, was made administrator of all and singular the goods, rights and credits of the said deceased for the administration well and faithfully of the same and he swore to holy god Evangelia as required in form of law.

The following is a literal translation from the Latin addendum to the will:

On the 24th day of the month of November in the year of the lord 1626 appeared by commission John Inkersall, Esquire, aforesaid, for the administering of the goods, rights, and credits of the said John Fuller son and executor, named in this will, deceased and for the administering of the goods, rights, and credits of the said Thomas Fuller deceased because the said John, executor, etc. had not administered (the estate) according to the terms and requirements of the will of the said Thomas, deceased. He swore (to) well and faithfully etc.

1 Victoria County History (VCH),Vol. 9, p. 193.
2 VCH, Vol. 2, p. 247.
3 VCH, Vol. 9, p. 201.
4 Ibid.
5 East Sussex Record Office (ESRO) Admon/B1.100.
6 William Berry, Sussex Genealogies, p. 281.
7 ESRO Will Book A14.148.
8 ESRO Will Book A28.87.
9 Prerogative Court of Canterbury Probate (PCC PROB) 11/131/18.
10 ESRO Will Book A14.208.
11 Sussex Record Society, Vol. 14, p. 94.
12 ESRO Will Book A28.62.
13 PCC PROB 11/127/30.
14 Sussex Record Society, Vol. 1, p. 83.
15 J.Manwaring Baines, unpublished compilation of records of the freemen of the Town and Port of Hastings.
16 Ibid.
17 Ibid.
18 Transcription 1985 of Hailsham Parish Records by Anthony Attwood, Record Agent.
19 ESRO Will Book A22.48.
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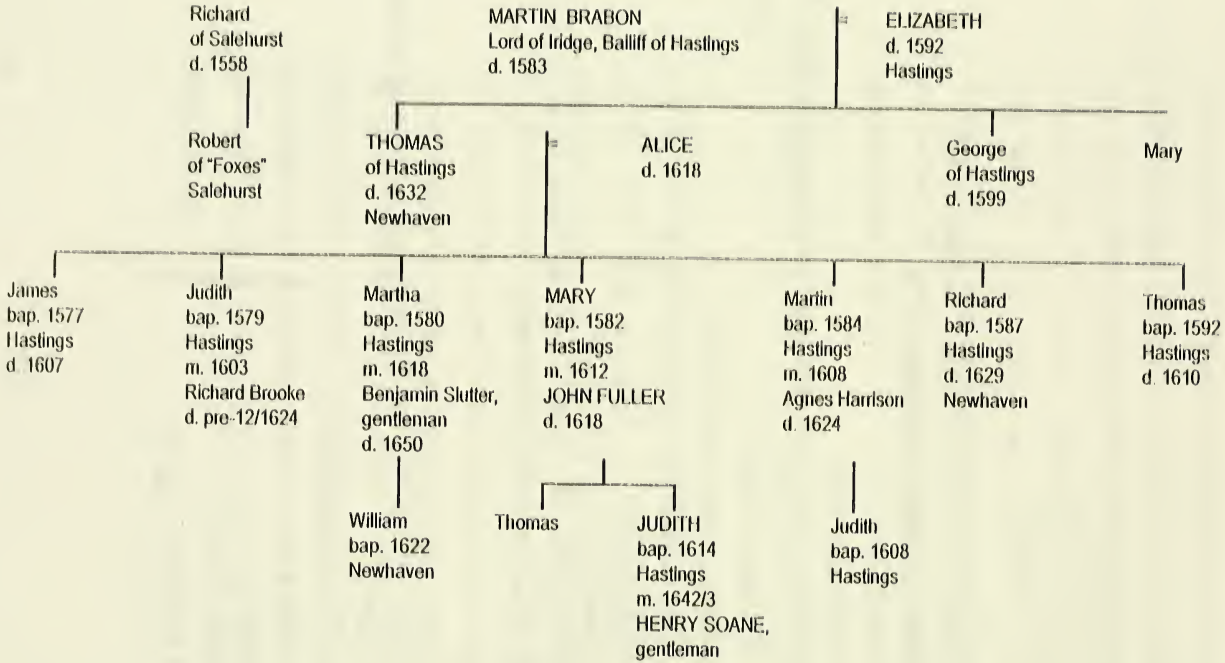
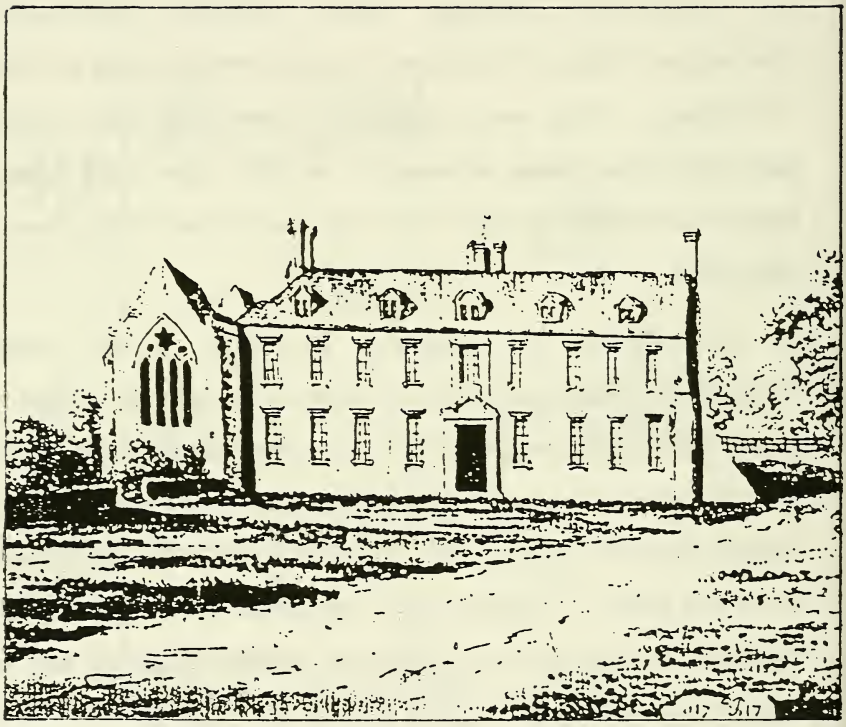

Richard
of Salehurst
d. 1558
MARTIN BRABON
Lord of Iridge, Bailiff of Hastings
d. 1583
ELIZABETH
d. 1592
Hastings
Robert
of "Foxes"
Salehurst
THOMAS
of Hastings
d. 1632
Newhaven
ALICE
d. 1618
George
of Hastings
d. 1599
Mary
James
bap. 1577
Hastings
d. 1607
Judith
bap. 1579
Hastings
m. 1603
Richard Brooke
d. pre-12/1624
Martha
bap. 1580
Hastings
m. 1618
Benjamin Slutter,
gentleman
d. 1650
MARY
bap. 1582
Hastings
m. 1612
JOHN FULLER
d. 1618
Martin
bap. 1584
Hastings
m. 1608
Agnes Harrison
d. 1624
Richard
bap. 1587
Hastings
d. 1629
Newhaven
Thomas
bap. 1592
Hastings
d. 1610
William
bap. 1622
Newhaven
Thomas
JUDITH
bap. 1614
Hastings
m. 1642/3
HENRY SOANE,
gentleman
Judith
bap. 1608
Hastings

THE BRABONS OF IRIDGE, HASTINGS, AND NEWHAVEN

In the Domesday Survey, the Hundred of Henhurst was part of the Honour and Barony of Hastings and in 1248 was divided into the four tithings of Fontridge (which included Etchingham), Glottingham, Iridge, and Salehurst; the same were recorded until the 17th century.[1] Iridge was a submanor, located near Hurst Green, East Sussex (see maps on pages 21 and 34). The Iridge Manor House, with adjoining chapel built 1585,[2] now called "Iridge Place," still stands.

In the Hundred of Henhurst, the first of the name Brabon/Braban/Braborne (which probably originated in Brabant, a province of Belgium) appeared in 1296 on the Sussex Subsidy (Tax) Rolls as Johanne Brabon.[3] Robert Brabon appeared on the Sussex Subsidy Rolls for Iridge in 1327 and 1332.[4] A later Robert Braban, in his will dated 13 March 1493/4, bequeathed some funds toward building the high altar and rood at Salehurst Church and to Chichester Cathedral.[5]

The 1524/5 Subsidy Rolls for Iridge listed first WILLIAM BRABORNE (who paid tax on his lands of 6 pounds, 13 shillings, 4 pence) and Robert Braborne.[6]



SALEHURST: IRIDGE HOUSE 1783

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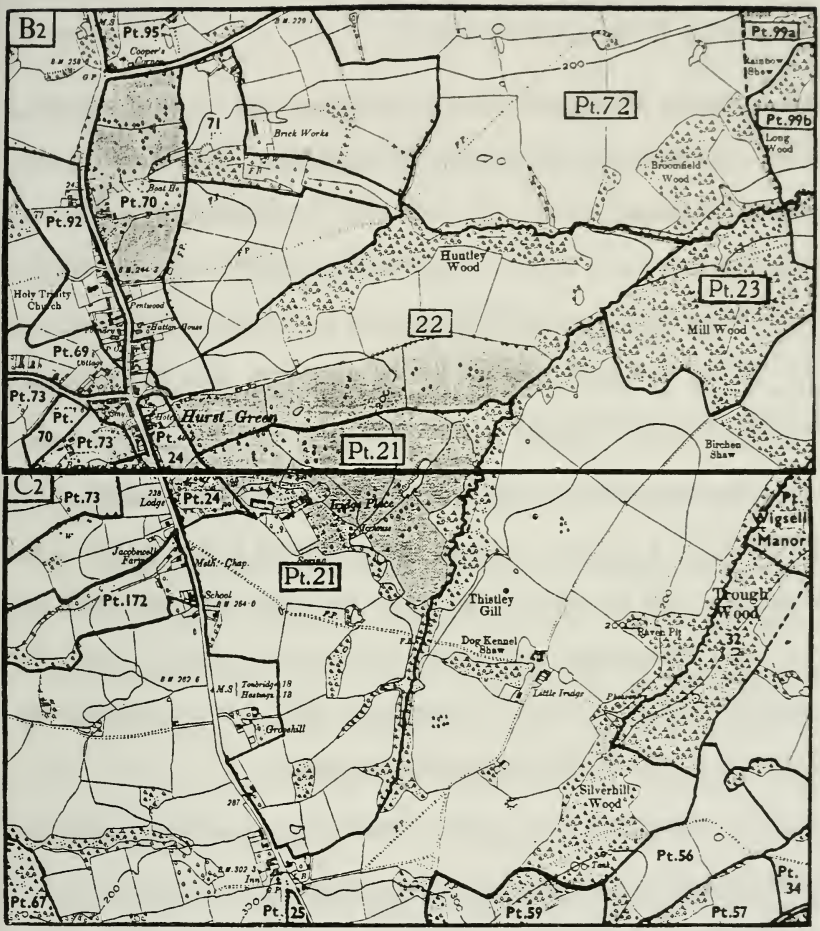


Map of lands held by Martin Brabon, lord of the Manor of Iridge 1539-1556,
per Ordnance Survey of the Manor of Etchingham sum Salehurst
as published by the Sussex Record Society in Volume 53

This WILLIAM BRABON was lord of the manor of Iridge and father of the first MARTIN BRABON, who was Bailiff of Hastings in 1546.[7] This was the rank held by Hasting's first citizen and chief officer (after 1588, called "Mayor").

The second MARTIN BRABON succeeded his grandfather WILLIAM as lord of the manor of Iridge from 1539 to 1556 which he held by knight's service.[8] Therefore, MARTIN BRABON was obliged to serve as a knight to the overlord of Iridge (i.e., lord of the Manor of Etchingham cum Salehurst, Sir Robert Tyrwhit) and to pay him "stinted (limited) dues for heriot, marriage, suite of court, and wardship [see Definitions]."

By an indenture dated 1556, MARTIN BRABON of Hastings and ELIZABETH his wife conveyed the manor of Iridge to Mr. John Wildegoose and his heirs.[9] The manor of Iridge consisted of all the lands and messuages commonly known as Iridge (Plat 21), Wigselland (Plat 22), and Watteshest (Plat 23), containing by estimation a total of 300 acres (see map, page 35).[10]

MARTIN BRABON had sold in 1554 to his brother Richard two parcels of land and meadow containing 10 acres in Salehurst, which were devised to Richard's son Robert, whose much later descendent John Brabon, gentleman, died seized of about 200 acres in the Salehurst area in 1747.[11]

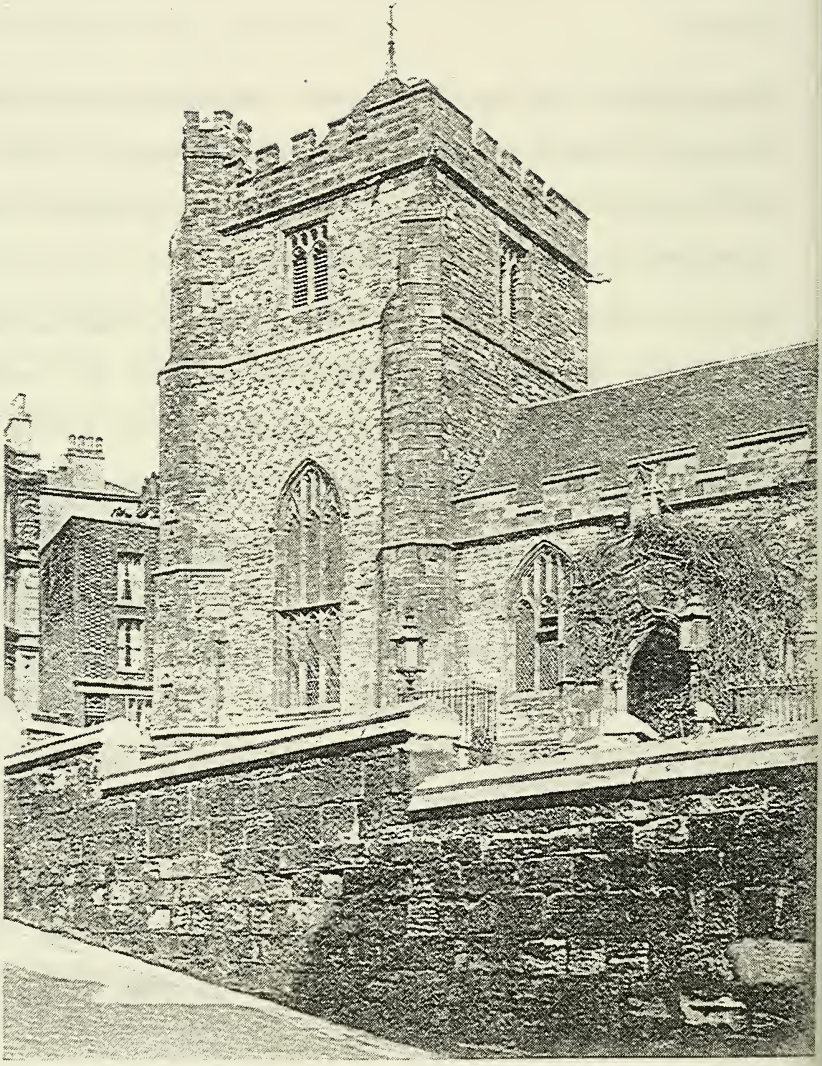
In 1559 MARTIN BRABON was the Bailiff of Hastings.[12] Though his will is not extant, a codicil regarding his son George was dated 3 November 1583. The following day, he was buried at St. Clement's Church.[13]

The children of his son George were christened at St. Clement, Hastings: Elizabeth (1582), George (1583), Thomas (b. 1587, d. 1587), and Elizabeth (1590). George (senior) was buried there September 16, 1599 and left no will.[14]

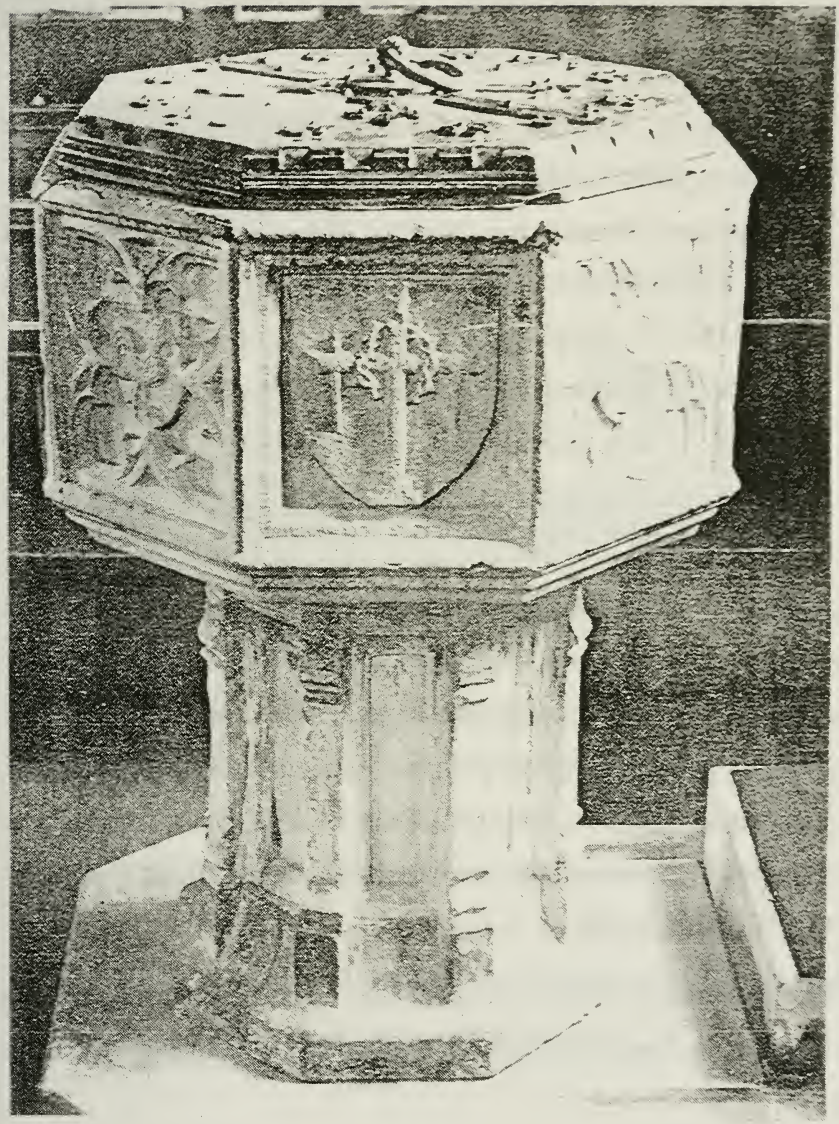
MARTIN BRABON's son THOMAS of Hastings and his wife ALICE had the following children, christened at St. Clement, Hastings: James (1577), Judith (1579), Martha (1580), MARY (25 Nov 1582), Martin (1584), Richard (1589), and Thomas (1592).[15]

Their children's marriages at St. Clement's, Hastings were recorded as follows: Judith Brabon married Richard Brooke, yeoman of Hastings, on 24 May 1603; Martin Brabon married Agnes Harrison on 6 Oct. 1608, MARY BRABON married JOHN FULLER on 1 Oct. 1612 (q.v.); and Martha Brabon married Benjamin Slutter, gentleman, of the City of Westminster on 27 June 1618.[16]

The most difficult and responsible task in the running of the town of Hastings was that of the two Chamberlains, elected each year. They were the treasurers of the corporation of the town.[17] THOMAS BRABON was a Chamberlain of Hastings in 1610.



HASTINGS: ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCH, FROM THE SOUTH-EAST



In that year he also attended Brodhull which was, and is, a court of the Confederation of the Cinque Ports. He last attended Assembly (the Parliament of Hastings) in 1618, the year of his wife's death, and may have moved to Newhaven then.[18]

According to the will of THOMAS BRABON, yeoman of Newhaven, dated 14 Dec. 1624, proved at Lewes 25 Aug. 1632, his grandchildren Thomas and JUDITH (whose parents JOHN and MARY BRABAN FULLER were both deceased) were to be brought up by MARY's sister Martha and her husband Benjamin Slutter, gentleman, to be educated, and to receive the overplus of rents of all his lands.[19] In a nuncupative (oral) will of Richard Braban of Newhaven (son of THOMAS and ALICE BRABON), dated 10 May 1629 and proved at Lewes 25 August 1632, he left 10 pounds to "his sister's daughter JUDITH FULLER," but nothing to her brother Thomas Fuller, who may have died by then.[20] THOMAS BRABON also left 4 pounds to his granddaughter Judith Braban, born 1612, daughter of his son Martin Brabon, deceased.[21] On page 44 of my transcription of the will of THOMAS BRABON, note John Sone/Soane (witness), who may have introduced HENRY SOANE to JUDITH FULLER.

Administration of Benjamin Slutter's estate was granted at the Prerogative Court of Canterbury in 1629 to his widow Martha

(Brabon) Slutter.[22] His son William inherited Marlings, Marlepitfield and Torfield House, the latter then known as Stone House and leased in 1639 to the Corporation of Hastings for Parker's Charity School.[23]

TORFIELD HOUSE, HIGH STREET, *c.* 1820, *coloured lithograph by George Rowe*

Administration of Martha (Brabon) Slutter's estate in Hastings[24] was granted at the PCC in 1650 to her only son William, a jurat of Hastings in 1646 (died 1654),[25] with whom JUDITH FULLER was raised. William named a son Henry (bap. 1648),[26] and HENRY and JUDITH SOANE named their youngest son William, born 1651 in Virginia (q.v.). Per Roger Davey, County Archivist of East Sussex: "Having reviewed your sources, I think that your identification [of Judith Fuller of Hastings 1614 with Judith Fuller of Southover 1642, who married Henry Soane] does look to be correct..."[27]

THE WILL OF THOMAS BRABAN OF NEWHAVEN

In the name of God Amen. The fourteenth of December anno domini 1624. I THOMAS BRABAN of Newhaven in the parish of Meeching in the County of Sussex, yeoman, being sick in body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to God, therefore do make and declare this my last will and testament in writing in manner and form following (revoking hereby all former wills and testaments). First I bequeathe my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator who I am assured for his dear son's sake Jesus Christ my Redeemer will assist me at the hour of death with his Holy Spirit the Comforter. ITEM I will my body to be buried in such place and manner as shall seem best to my executor hereafter named. ITEM I give to the poor shillings to be distributed amongst them at my funeral at the discretion of my executor. ITEM I give and bequeathe unto my son-in-law Benjamin Slutter gent. all my messuages lands and tenements situate lying and being in the parish of St. Clements in Hastings in the said county of Sussex or elsewhere in the said county to have & to hold the said messuages lands and tenements with the appurtenances unto said Benjamin Slutter and his heirs forever. Nevertheless upon this trust and confidence that the said Benjamin Slutter his heirs executors or

administrators shall educate and bring up or cause to be educated and brought up Thomas Fuller and JUDITH FULLER children of JOHN FULLER and of my daughter MARY FULLER his late wife, both deceased, until the said Thomas and JUDITH shall accomplish their said ages of twenty years. And shall pay unto my son Richard Braban, when the said children Thomas and JUDITH FULLER accomplish the said age of twenty years, one hundred pounds of lawful English money if the said Richard shall be then living. And if the said Richard shall be then dead, then to the heirs of the body of the said Richard lawfully begotten. And if the said Richard shall die without heirs of his body lawfully begotten, then shall pay the said one hundred pounds to William Slutter only son of the said Benjamin at his age of one and twenty years. And upon this further trust and confidence that the said Benjamin his heirs executors or administrators shall pay unto Martha, the now wife of the said Benjamin, and to the said William Slutter threescore pounds of like lawful money when the youngest of the said two children Thomas and JUDITH FULLER shall or might accomplish the said age of twenty years. And also upon this further confidence that, if there shall remain any overplus of the yearly rent and profits of the said messuages and lands in the hands of

the said Benjamin or his heirs, the said two children Thomas Fuller and JUDITH FULLER being brought up and educated as aforesaid and which shall be received during their minorities, then he shall pay the same overplus of the yearly rent and profit of the said messuages and lands to the said Thomas Fuller and JUDITH FULLER at their several ages of twenty years equally to be divided between them. And if either of them die before, then to the survivor of them. And also upon this confidence that he and they shall pay to Judith Braban daughter of my son Martin Braban deceased at her age of one & twenty years four pounds of lawful English money. ITEM all the rest of my goods and chattels, my debts & legacies being paid, I wholly give and bequeath unto the said Benjamin Slutter whom I make the sole executor of this my last will and testament. And I do hereby appoint the overseers of this my last will and testament Richard Boyd of Hasting gent. and Thomas Fuller of Hasting aforesaid. In witness whereof I set my hand. Testament the day and years aforesaid in the persons of Thomas Braban, John Sone, John Ellis. PROBATE: at Lewes 25 Aug. 1632, executrix Martha Slutter (alias Braban).

NOTES

The Brabons of Iridge and Hastings

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1 Victoria County History (VCH), Vol. 9, p. 210.

2 Sussex Record Society, Vol. 53, p. 36.

3 Ibid, Vol. 10, p. 11 and 12.

4 Ibid, Vol. 10, p. 221 and 333.

5 Ibid, Vol. 41, p. 296.; Vol.45, p. 82,84,85,88.

6 Ibid, Vol. 56, p. 149.

7 Ibid, Vol. 53, p. 33-34; J. Manwaring Baines, unpublished compilation of records of the freemen of the Town and Port of Hastings.

8 Ibid, Vol. 53, p. 33.

9 Ibid, Vol. 53, p. 33-34.

10 Ibid, Vol. 53, p. 33-40; p. 236, 241 (maps).

11 Ibid, Vol. 53, p. 49, 220, 221.

12 Baines, op. cit.

13 Ibid; ESRO Admon. B1.124.

14 Ibid.

15 Ibid.

16 Ibid; Sussex Record Society, Vol. 1, p. 42, 83, 107.

17 J. Manwaring Baines, F.S.A., Historic Hastings, A Tapestry of Life (St. Leonards-on-Sea, East Sussex: Cinque Port Press LTD., 1986), p. 69.

18 Baines, unpublished compilation of records of the freemen of the Town and Port of Hastings.

19 ESRO Will Book A22.48.

20 ESRO Will Book A22.47.

21 ESRO Will Book A22.48.

[22] PCC PROB 1629; ESRO Will Book A28.135.

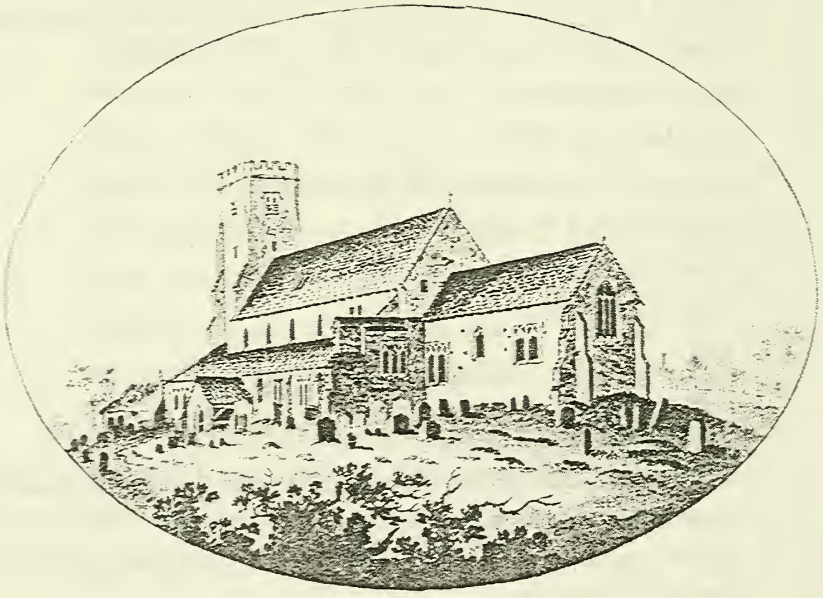
[23] Baines, op. cit., p. 276, 388.

[24] PCC PROB 1650 fo. 102.

[25] Baines, unpublished compilation of records of the freemen of the Town and Port of Hastings.

[26] Ibid.

[27] Roger Davey, letter to D.N. McLean dated 13 April 1995.



143. SALEHURST CHURCH, 1781

HENRY SOANE, "MR. SPEAKER," OF VIRGINIA

During the Commonwealth (1649-1660), Royalists/ Cavaliers in the south of England (Sussex, Kent, Surrey) were in particular danger of the Parliamentarians/ Roundheads. Many Cavaliers were deprived of their lands and emigrated with their families to Virginia. Whoever paid the cost (about five pounds) of transporting a person known as a "headright" across the Atlantic to Virginia received a grant of 50 acres for that "headright."

Due to the almost total destruction of James City County records, the date of the arrival in Virginia of HENRY SOANE and his family of Litlington, East Sussex is unknown. The earliest land grant to him was on 24 November 1651 of 297 acres on the E. side of the Chickahominy River in James City County for the transportation of six persons: HENRY SOANE SR., Henry Soane Jr., JUDETH SOANE SR., JUDETH SOANE JR., John Soane, and Elizabeth Soane.[1] HENRY SOANE assigned this land to John Merryman before 15 December 1656.[2] Another son, William Soane was born in Virginia in 1651 so was not listed as a headright.[3]

On 3 September 1652, MR. HENRY SOANE was granted 450 acres on the south side of the Rappahannock River in Lancaster County, opposite the land of Mr. James Williamson, for the transportation of

nine persons.[4] MR. HENRY SOANE assigned this land to Sir Henry Chicheley before 9 June 1654.[5]

On 10 March 1653 and 31 July 1653, HENRY SOANE, Gentleman, was granted 1400 acres in Gloucester County on the northeast and easternmost side of the Mattaponi River for the transportation of 28 persons.[6] On 25 March 1656 MR. HENRY SOANES was granted 1600 acres in New Kent County, on the north side of the Mattapony River for the transportation of 32 persons (including John Whitby who may have been the John Wisby, overseer of his father's will).[7] All of these lands were adjacent to those of Mr. William Wyatt.

On December 10, 1656 HENRY SOANE, Gentleman, purchased from Alexander and Margaret (Barrett) Shepard 2200 acres in James City County on the northeast side of the Chickahomony River, called by the name of "Richahocke," beginning at Richahocke Creek above Mattapony Neck.[8] HENRY SOANE then owned a total of 5,200 acres in the Tidewater section of Virginia.

SECOND STATEHOUSE, JAMESTOWN
Site of the Virginia Grand Assembly 1660–1662
Henry Soane, Speaker 1660–1661
Painting by Sidney King
Courtesy National Park Service, Jamestown

HENRY SOANE must have read law because he was noted as "attorney" for George Chapman in 1657 and William Davis in 1658.[9]

MR. HENRY SOANE was elected to represent James City County as Burgess from 1652-1655, March 1657-58, March 1659-60, and was elected Speaker of the House of Burgesses for the March 1660-61 session.[10] As a testimony that he had "faithfully performed the great trust imposed upon him and by that done a singular service to the Countrey," the assembly ordered that MR. HENRY SOANE, Speaker, be paid out of the leavie 6000 pounds of tobacco.[11]

MRS. JUDETH SOANES, upon petition, was granted 450 acres on 20 March 1661 by order of Governor Francis Moryson. However, she did not receive the patent, as "widow," until 26 March 1666 for the transportation of nine persons. This land had been sold to MR. HENRY SOANES and deserted by him, and was located in James City County on the north side of the James River and on the easterly side of the Chickahominy River.[12]

Map by Peter Jefferson and Joshua Fry, 1755

Mr. Henry Soanes (son of the Speaker) was granted 500 acres on 28 March 1662 in James City County at the head of the Chickahominy River, beginning on a great run, down the same west and southwest thence to Richard Williams, for the transportation of 10 persons (See map on page 51, noting "Soane's Bridge").[13] Near Providence Forge, Virginia, this was the initial Mt. Stirling Plantation[14] and was granted at the time of the death of HENRY SOANE, "Mr. Speaker," which occurred before the House of Burgesses reconvened 23 March 1662.[15]

Due to the almost total destruction of James City County records, wills are not extant for HENRY and JUDITH (FULLER) SOANE, their son Henry, and their daughters JUDITH and Elizabeth. However, there are wills extant for their sons John and William (see pages 61 and 63).

NOTE: The legal spelling of Henry Soane's wife Judith was JUDETH in the parish records of her birth in Hastings as well as in the records of her transportation to Virginia and the land grant to her in Virginia (see pages 26, 47, 50).

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1 Nell Marion Nugent, Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, Vol. 1, p. 222.

2 Ibid., p. 341.

3 John Bennett Boddie, Historical Southern Families, Vol. 5, p. 88.

4 Nugent, op. cit., p. 277.

5 Ibid., p. 291.

6 Ibid., p. 240, 241, 280.

7 Ibid., p. 337, 338.

8 Ibid., p. 336.

9 Ransom B. True, ed., The Biographical Dictionary of Early Virginia 1607-1660, p. 3215, 3216.

10 William Walter Hening, ed., The Statutes at Large, Being a Collection of All the Laws of Virginia from the First Session of the Legislature in the year 1619. Vol. 1, p. 370, 373, 379, 430, 527; Vol. 2, p. 31-33.

11 Ibid., Vol. 2, p. 38.

12 Nugent, op. cit., p. 548.

13 Ibid., p. 499.

14 Emilie Ferguson Farrar, Old Virginia Homes Along the James, p. 116; map inside cover.

15 Hening, op. cit., Vol. 2, p. 147.

QUIETUS OF MRS. JUDITH RANDOLPH AS EXECUTRIX OF HENRY RANDOLPH, 1674.

By the Govern'r & Cap't Gen'll of Virg'a.

To all To whom these Pr'nts shall come I S'r Wm. Berkeley Kn't Govern'r &c. Send greeting &c; Whereas Mrs. Judeth Randolph, as Relict and Exec'x of mr Henry Randolph dec'd did at a Court holden at Verina for the Countie of Henrico the first day of August 1673 obtaine order for a Commission of Administration with ye will annexed, and accordingly had a Comicon given under my hand for the administration of all and singular the goods, and Chattells of the said decedents estate, And Shee the said Administratrix having legally proceeded therein, & Satisyed the Creditors of the Deced't beyond Assets as hath bin made appeare before the grand Assembly, and thereupon order granted for her Quieta est: Now know yee that I the said S'r William Berkeley Kn't Govern'r and Cap't Generall of Virg'a doe give and grant unto the said Judeth Randolph (the Adm'trix afforsaid) this her Quieta est for her peace & quiet to stand firme and valid against all and every person or persons whatsoever, that shall by virture of any debt or debts due from the Decedent claims or pretend to have Claime to all or any part of the estate of the Decedent afores'd Lawfully administred on by the said Administratix. Given under my hand this 14th day of Octob'r 1674: A" Reg Car' 2" 26".

Record 8 br 17th 1674

William Berkeley

p James Minge Cl Assm.

JUDITH (SOANE) RANDOLPH-FIELD

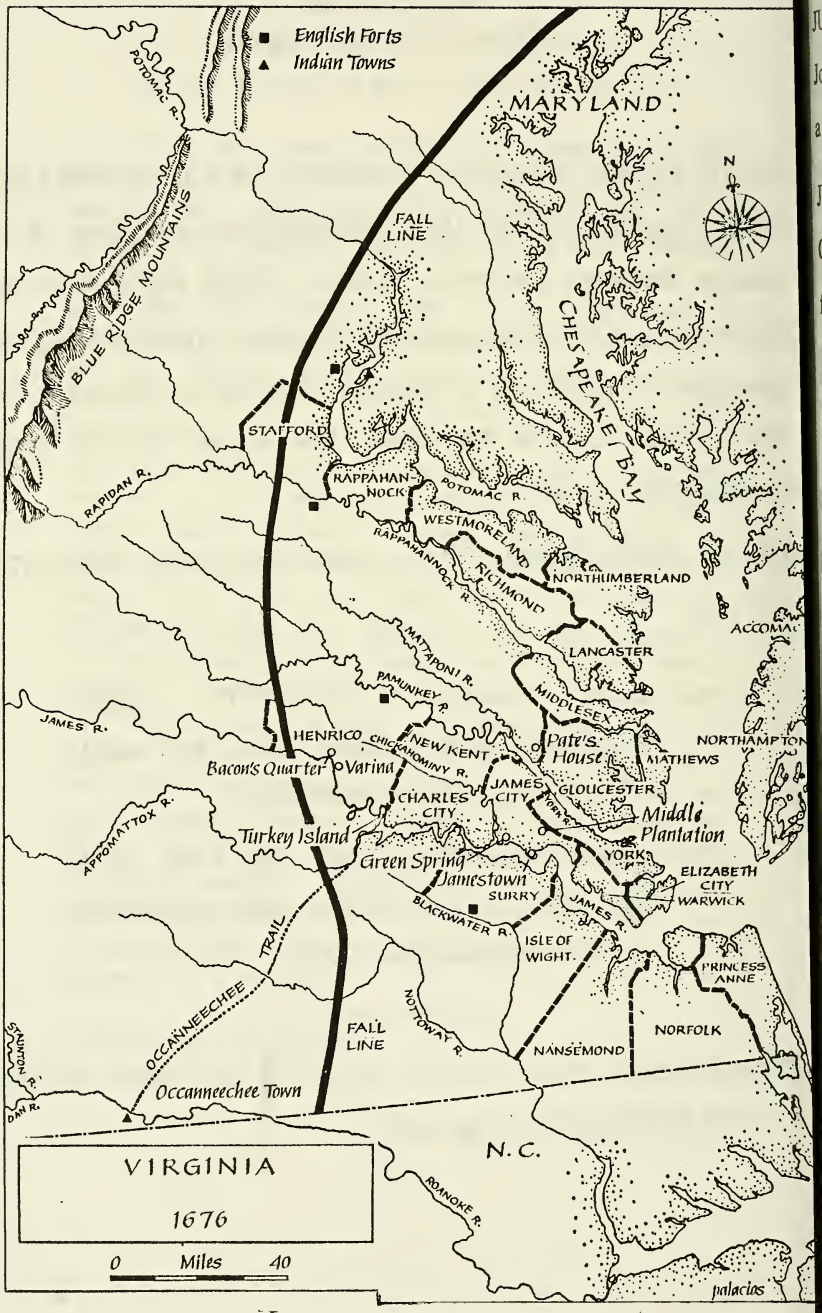
of Henrico County, Virginia

JUDITH SOANE, the daughter of HENRY and JUDITH (FULLER) SOANE, married first Mr. Henry Randolph who was Clerk of the House of Burgesses while MR. HENRY SOANE was Speaker and Colonel Francis Moryson was acting Governor.[1] Their wedding was solemnized at the house of Colonel Moryson on December 12, 1661.[2] When JUDITH thus became the second wife of Henry Randolph, she was only 15.[3]

JUDITH (SOANE) (1646-1703) and Henry Randolph (1623-1673) had issue:

1. Henry Randolph (1665-1693), whose Godparents included Henry Soane (his uncle) and Judith Soane (his grandmother).[4]
2. Judith Randolph (b. July 29, 1671, died unmarried ante Nov. 1687), whose Godfather was William Soane (her uncle).[5]

Henry Randolph died in 1673 as proved by the Quietus of MRS. JUDITH RANDOLPH as Executrix.[6]


English Forts
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MARYLAND
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POTOMAC R.
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RAPIDAN R.
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RAPPAHANNOCK R.
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NORTHUMBERLAND
ACCOMAC
LANCASTER
MATTAPONI R.
PAMUNKEY R.
MIDDLESEX
JAMES R.
HENRICO
CHICKAHOMINY R.
NEW KENT
Pate's House
NORTHAMPTON
MATHEWS
Bacon's Quarter
Varina
JAMES CITY
GLOUCESTER
CHARLES CITY
YORK R.
Middle Plantation
APPOMATTOX R.
Turkey Island
Green Spring
Jamestown
YORK R.
ELIZABETH CITY
WARWICK
SURRY
BLACKWATER R.
JAMES R.
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It was most unusual in the 17th century for a woman to testify, but JUDITH RANDOLPH did so on December 1, 1677 at the house of John Sturdevant, a neighbor, regarding a charge against John Pygott, a supporter of Nathanial Bacon.[7]

JUDITH SOANE RANDOLPH married MR. PETER FIELD on October 21, 1678 at Chickahominy (where her brothers lived).[8] The following appears to be a pre-nuptial contract:

> JUDITH RANDOLPH, widdow & relict of Henry Randolph of Henrico Co., Gent. Decd. acknowledges her just indebtedness unto her Sonne Henry Randolph of 6471 lbs. tob. & casq. wch tob. was given sd. son afsd. by Grand Assembly it being a debt due the publiq from estate of her afsd. husband, decd. - now due sd. sonne out of sd. Estate, afsd. Also in consideration of love & affection borne her sd. sonne Henry Randolph (as well as to the memory of his father decd.) binds herself her heirs & exors, & to pay to sd. Henry, when he arrives to 21 yrs. of age (which shall be Jnny. 1686) 5520 lbs. tob. & casq. out of her estate: for all wch. tobacco she acknowledges her estate to be indebted Provided if sd. son die before year (16)86 these presents to be void as to advantage of my sd. sonne & to revert to me & be at my disposal & my will in that case or

disposal of sd. tobacco; not to be obstructed or contradicted by any if I should hereafter marry. Presented in Court 1 Octr. 1678 by Wm. Randolph atto. for Mrs. Judith Randolph 21 Sept. 1678. I do hereby request and impower my Cossin Wm Randolph for me & in my behalf to acknowledge this above written in Henrico Court next held as my act and deed. Witness my hand this 29th day of September 1678, JUDITH RANDOLPH.[9]

As a daughter of HENRY SOANE, the former Speaker of the House of Burgesses and the widow of Henry Randolph, JUDITH SOANE RANDOLPH brought to her marriage to PETER FIELD an established position in society and the means to maintain it.

The children of JUDITH and PETER FIELD were:[10]

1. MARY b. Feb. 8, 1679/80, m. THOMAS JEFFERSON II, son of THOMAS and MARY (BRANCH) JEFFERSON, d. Aug. 1715.
2. Martha b. Feb. 23, 1681/2, m. John Archer, d. Aug. 1717/18.

On June 2, 1679 Mr. PETER FIELD was listed in Henrico County

for 7 tithables.[11] PETER FIELD was clerk of the Court of Charles City County in 1676/7, Sheriff of Henrico County in 1682, Justice of Henrico County in 1691, 1699, and 1702, and represented Henrico County in the House of Burgesses in 1688 and 1692/3.[12]

JUDITH's brother John Soane, surveyor, on January 12, 1680 surveyed land on the north side of Swift creek in Henrico County which had been granted to Henry Randolph in 1663 and inherited by his and JUDITH's son Henry whose guardian was listed in the survey as MR. PETER FIELD.[13]

A judgment granted in October 1675 to MRS. JUDITH RANDOLPH, administratrix of Henry Randolph, against Thom. Pittman, was renewed July 6, 1680 to PETER FIELD, "who hath since married said JUDITH RANDOLPH."[14]

PETER and JUDITH FIELD were Godparents for her grandson Henry Randolph III, son of Henry and Sarah (Swann) Randolph, Jr., christened January 5, 1689.[15]

JUDITH FIELD gave her power of attorney on August 1, 1689 to her son Mr. Henry Randolph for her and in her name to acknowledge her relinquishment of dower in a parcel of land lying below the plantation where John Crabb lived, which land was sold by her husband PETER FIELD with her consent.[16]

Mr. Henry Randolph was granted 5650 acres on April 28, 1691 in Henrico County on the north side of Swift Creek, adjacent the land of his mother, JUDITH FIELD.[17] On April 14, 1693 PETER and JUDITH FIELD sold to Henry Watthall, for 6000 pounds tobacco, 690 acres 14 poles located in Bristol Parish, Henrico County on the north side of Swift Creek,[18] which had been granted to Judith in her widowhood on 28 September 1678. This was all the land between her now (or new) dwelling house and Timsbury except for the Saw-Mill dividend. [19]

JUDITH's son Henry Randolph died before June 1, 1693. John Soane, surveyor and JUDITH's brother, then was ordered and appointed to set out and divide the Saw-Mill dividend of 416 acres between John Peterson, son and heir of John Peterson, deceased (husband of Elizabeth Soane), CAPTAIN PETER FIELD, and the orphans of Captain Henry Randolph as follows: the uppermost half to John Peterson; the next fourth part to CAPTAIN FIELD; and the lower fourth part to the orphan(s) of Captain Henry Randolph. The survey was completed 28 July 1693.[20]

Regarding a debt owed to Captain William Soane by William Jones, letters were exchanged on July 14, 1694 in which CAPTAIN PETER FIELD called William Soane "respected brother" and William wrote to PETER FIELD "love and respects to yourself, sister (JUDITH),

and cousins, I am your loving brother."[21] On August 1, 1694 in depositions on the same matter, PETER FIELD stated his age as "about 46 years;" JUDITH stated that she was "about 48 years" (therefore, she was born in 1646).[22]

CAPTAIN PETER FIELD and Captain William Randolph entered themselves secretaries with Captain Giles Webb for what estate he had in his hands as of October 1, 1695 belonging to the orphans of Captain Henry Randolph, deceased.[23]

John Soane of James City County made his will, dated December 16, 1695 and witnessed by PETER and JUDITH FIELD. His bequests were to "dear honoured mother MRS. JUDITH SOANE; to loving brother PETER FIELD; to loving brother William Soane all land given by James Callam to my said brother on south side of the Chickahominy River and my plantation on south side of same River known by name of 'Poplar Spring' and he is to be executor." Another bequest was to "loving cousin (nephew?) Henry Soane, all my surveyor and mathmatical instruments with books and papers thereto belonging."[24]

On June 3, 1699 PETER FIELD was appointed a Major in the Virginia Militia.[25]

On the Virginia Quit Rent Rolls of 1704, MAJOR PETER FIELD was listed for 2185 acres in Henrico County,[26] which may have

included grants of 483 acres (1687) and 820 acres (1690) on the south side of Swift Creek.[27]

The date of death of JUDITH FIELD was prior to 1704 since PETER took for his second wife Alice Wyatt (widow of Captain Henry Wyatt) in 1704.[28] PETER FIELD died prior to August 20, 1706[29] and devised to his daughters:

1. MARY, wife of THOMAS JEFFERSON II, 200 acres in Bristol Parish, Henrico County, which she and her husband sold on March 1, 1708 to Abraham Burton for 10,000 pounds "good merchantable" tobacco. This land was adjacent to that of Captain William Soane.[30]
2. Martha, wife of John Archer, 961 acres in Bristol Parish, Henrico County, which she and her husband sold on August 2, 1711 to William Randolph for 20 pounds sterling.[31]

On April 18, 1714, MARY JEFFERSON, Martha Archer, and John Archer witnessed the will of Captain William Soane of Henrico County, brother of JUDITH FIELD. Bequests were to his wife Mary, daughters Martha, Judith Thweat, Elizabeth Thweat (and her husband John), and sons Henry, John, Samuell.[32]

Captain William Soane had been a member of the House of Burgesses, as had been his nephew Captain Henry Soane and his father MR. HENRY SOANE, Speaker of the House of Burgesses and great-great grandfather of President THOMAS JEFFERSON.

NOTES

Judith (Soane) Randolph-Field of Henrico County, Virginia

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1 Jon Kukla, Speakers and Clerks of the Virginia House of Burgesses 1643-1776, p. 56, 62, 140.

2 William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine, Series 1, Vol. 4, p. 126; Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, Vol. 3, p. 261; Edward Pleasants Valentine, The Valentine Papers, Vol. 4, p. 2303.

3 Henrico Co. VA Deeds, Wills. etc. 1688-1697 (original), VA Archives Reel #5, p. 517-520.

4 William and Mary Quarterly, Series 1, Vol. 4, p. 126; Valentine, op. cit., p. 2304.

5 Ibid.

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7 Ibid., Vol. 23, p. 158; Nugent, op. cit., Vol. 2, p. 102.

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9 Valentine, op. cit., Vol. 3, p. 1381.

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[11] William and Mary Quarterly, Series 1, Vol. 24, p. 132.

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[13] Valentine, op. cit.,Vol. 3, p. 1379.

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[15] William and Mary Quarterly, Series 1, Vol.4, p. 126.

[16] Valentine, op. cit., Vol. 3, p. 1389.

[17] Nugent, op. cit., Vol. 2, p. 365.

[18] Henrico Co. VA Deeds, Wills, etc. 1688-1697 (original), Reel #5, p. 387-389.

[19] Nugent, op. cit., Vol. 2, p. 188.

[20] Valentine, op. cit., Vol. 3, p. 1396.

[21] Henrico Co. Va. Deeds, Wills, etc., Reel #5, p. 517-520.

[22] Ibid., p. 517-520.

[23] Valentine, op. cit., Vol. 3, p.1386; Henrico County records 1682-1701, p. 74.

[24] Benjamin Weisiger III, Colonial Wills of Henrico Co., Part 1, 1654-1737, p. 51.

[25] Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, Vol. 10, page 215; Virginia Colonial Militia, p. 105.

[26] Ibid., Vol. 28, p. 211.

[27] Nugent, op cit., Vol. 2, p. 315, 345.

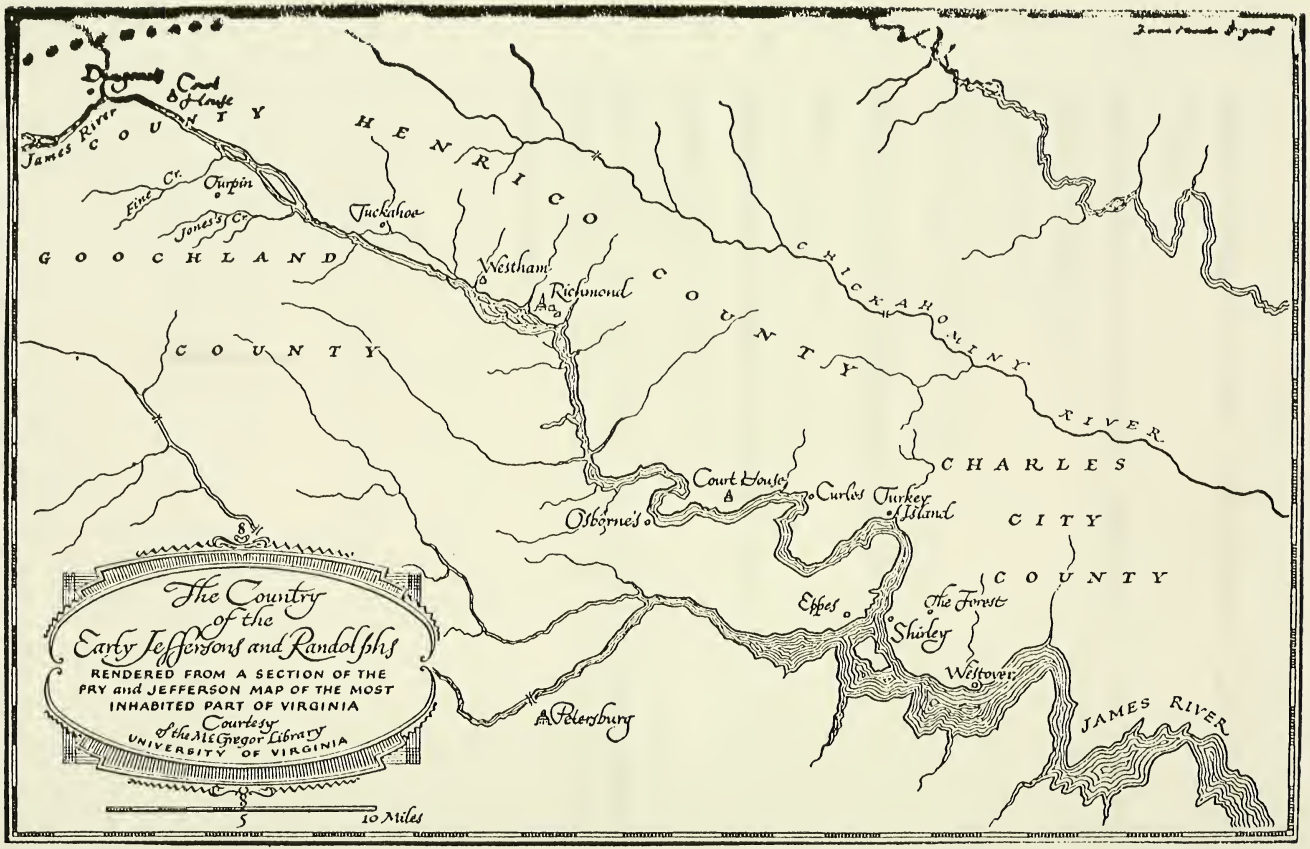
[28] Malcolm Hart Harris, Old New Kent, Vol. 1, p. 171.

[29] Valentine, op. cit., Vol. 3, p. 1388.

[30] Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, Vol. 23, p. 174.

[31] Valentine, op. cit., Vol. 3, p. 1404.

[32] Henrico Co. Va. Wills and Deeds 1714-1718, p. 9; Virginia Historical Magazine, Vol. 15, p. 439; McIlwaine, op. cit., 1710-1712 and 1712-1714 lists of Burgesses.


The Country of the Early Jeffersons and Randolphs
RENDERED FROM A SECTION OF THE PRY and JEFFERSON MAP OF THE MOST INHABITED PART OF VIRGINIA
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UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
James River
Court House
COUNTY
HENRICO COUNTY
GOOCHLAND COUNTY
CHICKAHOMINY RIVER
CHARLES CITY COUNTY
JAMES RIVER
Fine Cr.
Jones's Cr.
Turpin
Tuckahoe
Westham
Richmond
Court House
Curles
Turkey Island
Osborne's
Eppes
The Forest
Shirley
Westover
Petersburg
5
10 Miles

Following are excerpts from these definitive biographies:

1. Jefferson and His Time, Vol. 1, Jefferson the Virginian by Dumas Malone (Boston: Little, Brown & Co., 1948), 3-33; and
2. Thomas Jefferson, A Biography by Nathan Schachner (New York: Thomas Yoseloff, 1951), 1-21.

Mary Field, daughter of Judith and Peter Field, and Thomas Jefferson II were granted a marriage license on October 20, 1697; the marriage took place in 1698. The newly wedded couple established themselves at Osborne's, a small struggling community on the James about a dozen miles from Bermuda Hundred. It was here that six children were born to them - Judith, Thomas, Field, Peter, Mary, and Martha.

Thomas II or Captain Jefferson, as he later became known by virtue of a militia command, proceeded to enlarge his estate. Some lands were added by judicious purchase, others were received as headrights for the importation of colonists from England; but his

most ambitious acquisition took the form of a patent to 1,500 acres on Fine Creek, on the south side of the James and above the falls, granted to him and three partners in 1718 by Governor Spottswood.

Within a reasonable time Captain Jefferson became a man of substance and standing; due partly, no doubt, to his own efforts and partly to the influence of his wife's connections. In 1714 he was appointed justice of the peace and continued in that honorable station for about twenty years. From 1718 to 1719 he filled the equally honorable position of sheriff of Henrico County.

His wife Mary (Field) Jefferson died on August 13, 1715 but Thomas lived until Feb 18, 1731. His will left only a "mourning ring of the value of 20 shillings (i.e., one pound)" to his eldest surviving son, Field. No doubt the property at Osborne's also went to him as a result of the legal system of entails which Virginia had taken from the mother country, England, and which remained in effect until a later Jefferson caused it to be abolished.

To Peter Jefferson, executor, his father left the major portion of the estate - the acquired lands at Fine Creek and Manakin Creek, 2 slaves, feather beds, couch, tables, and other household equipment, half the stock of cattle, sheep, and hogs. "I also give unto my son Peter my chest, my cane, my six silver spoons, two horses, my Trooping Arms and Gunn." The remainder of the estate was divided

among the three daughters.

Peter Jefferson married Jane Randolph, eldest daughter of Isham Randolph of "Dungeness" and cousin of William Randolph of "Tuckahoe," located on the north bank of the James. She was baptised at St. Paul's in the parish of "Shadwell", London on Feb. 20, 1720 during her father's tenure as Virginia's Colonial Agent in England. Isham Randolph obviously was satisfied with his daughter's marriage as he settled on her the sum of 200 pounds sterling.

From 1735 to 1741 Peter acquired the following lands: a mountaintop on the south side of the Rivanna, which his son was later to make world-famous under the name of "Monticello"; 2,000 acres on Davis' Creek near the Great Pass; and 400 acres on the Northanna in St. James parish, Goochland Co. which became known as "Shadwell."

Early in 1743, Peter quit Fine Creek permanently for "Shadwell." With him went his wife Jane and their two baby daughters: Jane, born 17 June 1740 and Mary born 1 October 1741. Their son, THOMAS, was born April 2/13, 1743. Elizabeth was born 1744, Martha 1746, Peter Field 1748, Lucy 1752, and twins Anna Scott and Randolph in 1755.

In 1737 Peter had been sheriff of Goochland Co. and in 1745 he was

appointed one of Albemarle's new justices of the peace and a judge of the Court of Chancery. The following month he was named Lieutenant Colonel of the militia and ten years later achieved the high station of county lieutenant (general commander).

A cousin of Jane Jefferson and a great friend of Peter Jefferson, William Randolph died in 1745 and named Peter executor. Further, his will declared:

> "Whereas I have appointed by my will that my Dear and only Son Thomas Mann Randolph should have a private education given him at Tuckahoe, my will is that my Dear and loving friend Mr. Peter Jefferson do move down with his family to my Tuckahoe house and remain there till my son comes of age with whom my dear son and his sisters shall live."

So the Jeffersons moved to Tuckahoe and remained there for seven years while Peter managed his deceased friend's estate. As compensation, Peter received only living expenses and had to seek additional employment as a surveyor (as his father and grandfather had done before him).

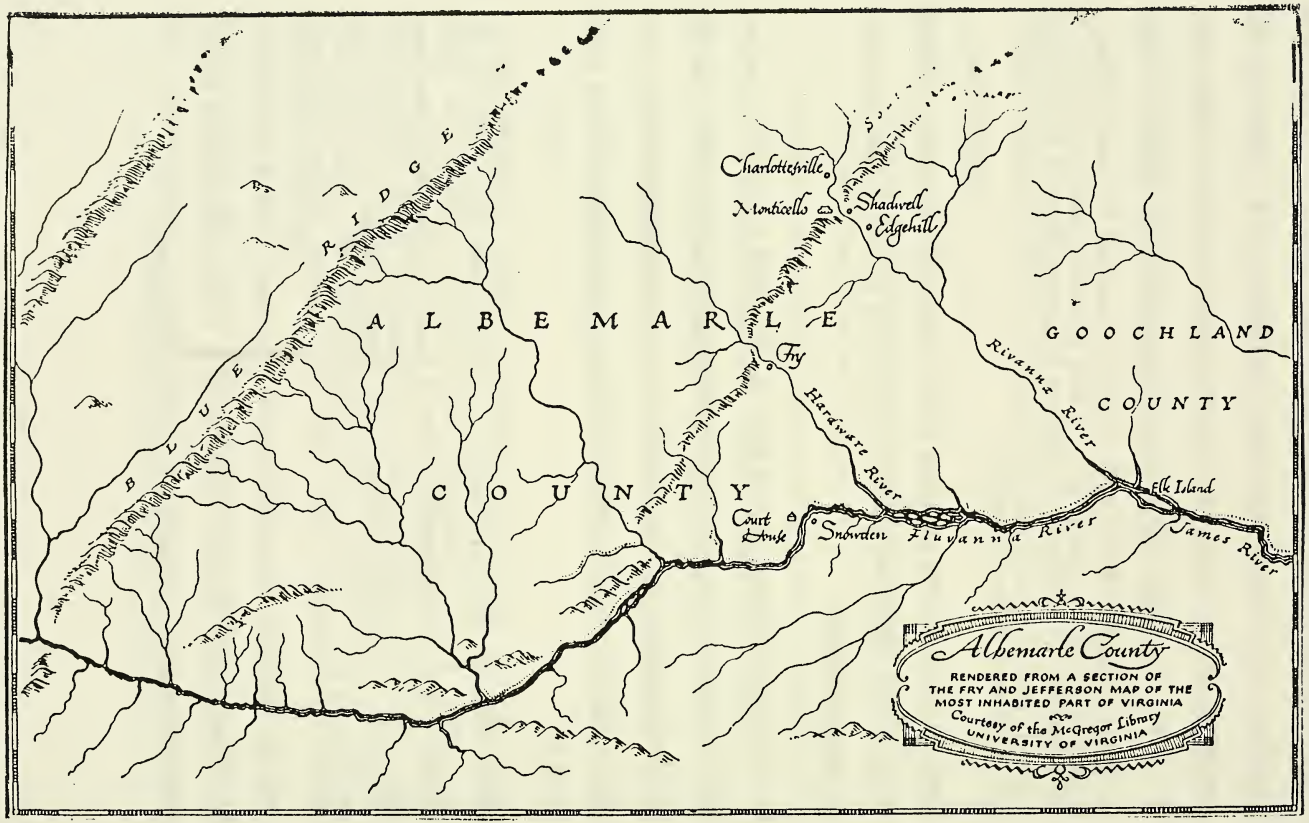
Peter Jefferson and Joshua Fry completed their survey and map of "the most inhabited part of Virginia containing the whole province

of Maryland with parts of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and North Carolina" and signed their names thereto in 1751. This map still represents the fundamental map of Virginia and its environs, and remained for many years the sole geographical arbiter for the territory it presumed to cover. Virginia awarded Fry and Jefferson each the sum of 150 pounds sterling in appreciation of their efforts (see section of map on page 51).

During that year Peter acquired 2,000 acres on the branches of Black Water Creek which became dear to his son Thomas under the name of "Poplar Forest."

In 1752 the Jeffersons moved back to Shadwell, where Peter passed the remainder of his life. The crowning point of his career was the accolade awarded him by the citizens of Albemarle when they sent him to the House of Burgesses as their representative for the years 1754-55.

Peter Jefferson died on August 17, 1757 at the age of 49. To his family he left a comfortable estate in sound, manageable condition. His lands at Shadwell, Monticello, Poplar Forest and elsewhere totaled approximately 7,500 acres. To Thomas, as the elder son, went the largest portion of the estate. Thomas inherited the lands on the Rivanna (Monticello) which, together with those received as part of the residuary estate, came to almost 5,000 acres.


Charlottesville
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Hardware River
Court House
Snowden
Fluvanna River
Elk Island
James River
Albemarle County
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On his mother's death, Thomas received the rights to Shadwell. With his inheritance and a classical education, Thomas Jefferson had an excellent start in life.

While he was the third President of the United States, Thomas Jefferson greatly expanded the country with the Louisiana Purchase and signed the bill establishing the United States Military Academy at West Point. He was a man of extraordinary accomplishments - not only as a political leader but also as a writer, architect, landscape designer, inventor, and scientist. As the inscription on his tombstone at Monticello says, he wanted to be remembered as "author of the Declaration of American Independence [and] of the Statute of Virginia for religious freedom, and Father of the University of Virginia."

The charts on pages 81-82 are based chiefly on the genealogy as credited to Robert T. Coolidge and as compiled largely by Olivia Taylor for The Collected Papers of the Monticello Association, edited by G.G. Shackleford (1984). Members of that association are direct descendents of Thomas Jefferson and his wife Martha (Wayles) Skelton and their daughters Martha Randolph and Maria Eppes.

DEFINITIONS

Calendar - until 1752, in England and the colonies, the year was deemed to commence on March 25th (Lady Day) so that, between January first and March 25th, a date, e.g., 17 February 1642, would have been written 17 February 1642/43.

Chattels - moveable possessions (as opposed to land).

Heriot - payment owed to one's lord upon one's death.

Hundred - a subdivision of some English and American counties.

Inflation - 15 pence (pennies) in 1617 would have equalled 4,375 pence in 1971.

Knights service - obligation to serve as a knight for his overlord.

Marriage fine - due to lord when tenant's daughters married.

Messuage - a dwelling house with the adjacent buildings and curtilage (yard within the fence surrounding a house) and the adjoining lands used in connection with the household.

Pound - equivalent to 13 1/3 marks or 20 shillings (s) or 240 pence (d).

Relief - payment made by a feudal tenant to his lord upon succeeding to an inherited estate.

Sub-manor - held by a lord under the stewardship of an overlord appointed by the Crown.

Suite of Court - act of following one's lord, i.e., to be part of his retinue.

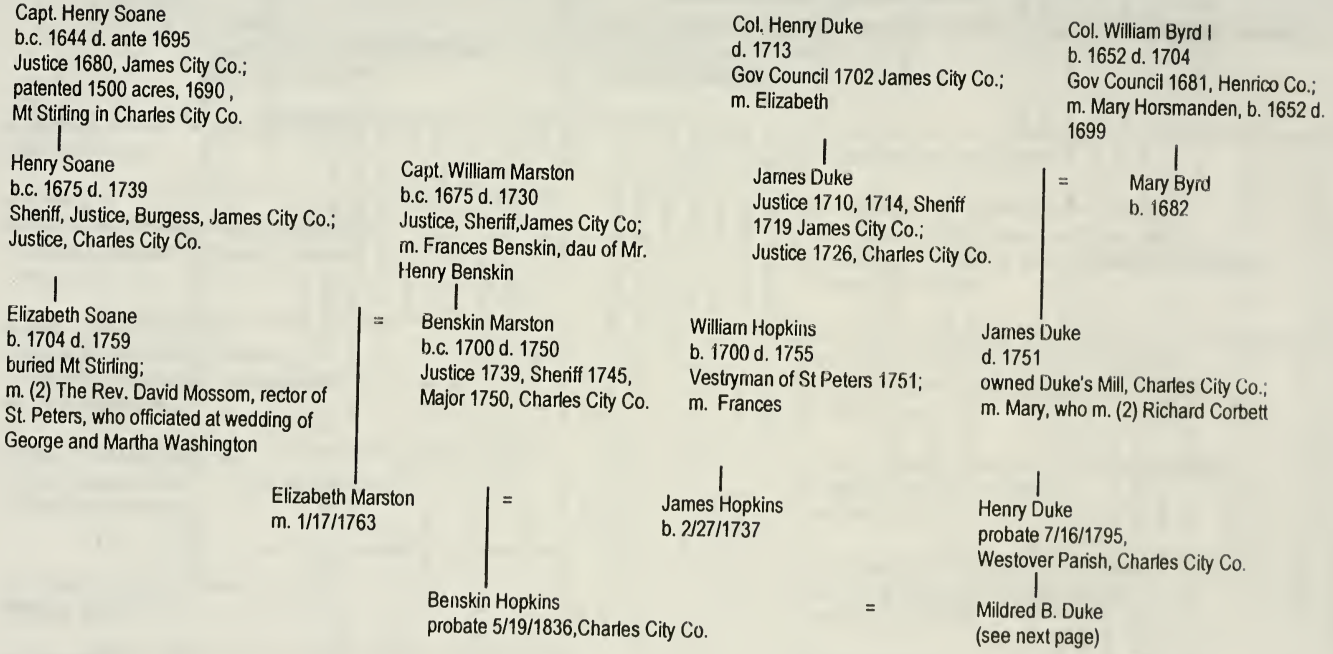
Tenement - land held by an overlord.

Tithing (or villata) - a small administrative division preserved in parts of England, originally consisting of ten men with their families.

Wardship - guardianship of minors; the right to the custody of an infant heir of a feudal tenant and of his property.

Yeoman - freeholder who could pass his lands on to his heirs; middle class or minor gentry if affluent.

THE SOANE/MARSTON/HOPKINS/DUKE/BYRD CONNECTION



SOURCES: Adventurers of Purse and Person (Dorman); Cavaliers and Pioneers (Nugent); Charles City Co. Records (VA State Archives); Diary of William Byrd II; English Duplicates of Lost Virginia Records (des Cognets); Hening's Statutes; Historical Southern Families (Boddie); The Hopkins of Virginia (W.L. Hopkins).

THE SOANE/MARSTON/HOPKINS/DUKE/BYRD CONNECTION (con't)

Benskin Hopkins = Mildred B. Duke

Martha B. Hopkins
b.c. 1800 d. 7/21/1836 Charles City Co. = William Presley Ellett
b.c. 1791 d. 11/19/1835 Charles City Co.;
son of John Pleasants Ellett & Ann Beadles

Pleasants Dabney Ellett
b. 1831 Charles City Co. d. 11/2/1910 Richmond
Southern Cross of Honor, CSA = Margaret Ann Haw
b. 1835 "Locust Grove," Hanover
dau of Richardson Tyree Haw and Margaret Mills Watt

Martha Elizabeth Ellett
b. 11/2/1866 Richmond d. 3/29/1946 Staunton
graduate of University of Richmond;
teacher, organist at St. Johns = Dr. John P. Neff
b. 4/13/1873 New Market, buried Staunton 8/12/1973;
son of Abram Charles Neff and Louisa Myers;
Pres. of Lafayette College, AL; Supt. Schools, Richmond & Staunton

John Dabney Neff
b. 7/4/1901 Richmond d. 7/3/1976 Staunton
second largest apple orchardist in Virginia (Harry
Byrd was first) = Dorothy Ellen Mathews
b. 6/17/1906 Marion SC d. 5/14/1978 Redington Beach, FL
dau of Julius Cleveland Mathews & Helen Wiggins
(dau of Manigault Wiggins and Ellen Turbeville)

Ellen Dabney Neff
b. 6/30/1931 Staunton m. 10/1/1952 Staunton = Lt. Richard P. McLean (Col. Ret.)
b. 11/5/1929 Ft. Monroe, son of Col Donald McLean & Marie Fleming

Ellen Dabney McLean
b. 7/4/1953, US Army Hospital, Munich
m. David G. Birch

Elizabeth Ann Birch
b. 10/15/1986, Fairfax Co. Hospital

Richard Fleming McLean
b. 3/1/1955 Ft. Hood, Texas
m. Ann Zimmerman 5/22/1982, dau of Ray Zimmerman and Kathryn Walker of Towson, MD

Richard Philip McLean II
b. 3/15/1983, Fairfax Co. Hospital

Daniel Walker McLean
b. 4/4/1986, Fairfax Co. Hospital

DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS JEFFERSON AND HIS WIFE, MARTHA WAYLES

COMPILED BY ROBERT T. COOLIDGE[1]

The principles used in this compilation are the same as those used in Volume I of these papers (see p. 201 of that volume). Each digit represents the order of birth in that particular generation, the first digit referring to Jefferson's own children. Any descendant's ancestry can be traced by following the numbers backwards, and the relationship between any two descendants can be calculated by simply comparing their numbers. Adopted children are given full numbers (but listed as "adopted") unless they were adopted at an advanced age, after the birth of natural children, in which case the last digit is replaced by (a), (b), etc. Their children have normal digits.

THE FIRST THREE GENERATIONS OF THE DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS JEFFERSON

Thomas Jefferson, b. Apr. 13, 1743 (Apr. 2 Old Style), d. July 4, 1826, m. Jan. 1, 1772, Martha (Wayles) Skelton (1748-1782)

FIRST GENERATION:

1 Martha Jefferson, b. Sept. 27, 1772, d. Oct. 10, 1836, m. Feb. 23, 1790, Thomas Mann Randolph (1768-1828)

2 Jane Randolph Jefferson, b. Apr. 3, 1774, d. Sept., 1775

3 (Son) Jefferson, b. May 28, 1777, d. June 14, 1777

4 Maria Jefferson, b. Aug. 1, 1778, d. Apr. 17, 1804, m. Oct. 13, 1797, John Wayles Eppes (1773-1823)

5 Lucy Elizabeth Jefferson, b. Nov. 3, 1780, d. Apr. 15, 1781

6 Lucy Elizabeth Jefferson, b. May 8, 1782, d. Oct. 13, 1784

SECOND GENERATION:

11 Anne Cary Randolph, b. Jan. 23, 1791, d. Feb. 11, 1826, m. Sept.. 19, 1808, Charles Lewis Bankhead (1788-1835)

12 Thomas Jefferson Randolph, b. Sept. 12, 1792, d. Oct. 18, 1875, m. March 10, 1815, Jane Hollis Nicholas (1798-1871)

13 Ellen Wayles Randolph, b. Aug. 30, 1794, d. July 26, 1795

14 Ellen Wayles Randolph, b. Oct. 13, 1796, d. Apr. 21, 1876, m. May 27, 1825, Joseph Coolidge, Jr. (1798-1879)

15 Cornelia Jefferson Randolph, b. July 26, 1799, d. Feb. 24, 1871

16 Virginia Jefferson Randolph, b. Aug. 22, 1801, d. Apr. 26, 1882, m. Sept. 11, 1824, Nicholas Philip Trist (1800-1874)

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17 Mary Jefferson Randolph, b. Nov. 2, 1803, d. Mar. 29, 1876
18 James Madison Randolph, b. Jan. 17, 1806, d. Jan. 23, 1834
19 Benjamin Franklin Randolph, b. July 14, 1808, d. Feb. 18, 1871, m. Nov. 13, 1834, Sarah Champe Carter (1810-1896)
1x Meriwether Lewis Randolph, b. Jan. 31, 1810, d. Sept. 24, 1837, m. Apr. 9, 1835, Elizabeth Martin
1a Septimia Anne Randolph, b. Jan. 3, 1814, d. Sept. 14, 1887, m. Aug. 13, 1838, David Scott Meikleham (1804-1849)
1b George Wythe Randolph, b. Mar. 10, 1818, d. Apr. 3, 1867, m. Apr. 10, 1852, Mary Elizabeth (Adams) Pope (1830-1871)
41 (Daughter) Eppes, b. Dec. 31, 1799, d. Jan., 1800
42 Francis Eppes, b. Sept. 20, 1801, d. May 30, 1881, m. 1) Nov. 28, 1822, Mary Elizabeth Cleland Randolph (1801-1835), m. 2) Mar. 15, 1837, Susan Margaret (Ware) Couch
43 Maria Eppes, b. Feb. 15, 1804, d. July, 1807

THIRD GENERATION:

111 John Warner Bankhead, b. Dec. 1, 1810, d. Nov. 21, 1897, m. Nov. 3, 1832, Elizabeth Poindexter Christian (1814-1895)
112 Thomas Mann Randolph Bankhead, b. 1811, d. July 1, 1851, m. Elizabeth Pryor
113 Ellen Monroe Bankhead, b. Sept. 3, 1812, d. Jan. 6, 1838, m. July 7, 1832, John Coles Carter (1800-1876)
114 William Stuart Bankhead, b. Jan. 30, 1826, d. Nov., 1898, m. 1), 1850, Martha Jane Watkins, m. 2), 1854, Barbara Elizabeth Garth
121 Margaret Smith Randolph, b. Mar. 7, 1816, d. Dec. 20, 1842, m. Sept. 2, 1839, William Mann Randolph (d. 1850)
122 Martha Jefferson Randolph, b. July 20, 1817, d. July 16, 1857, m. Dec. 22, 1834, John Charles Randolph Taylor (1802-1875)
123 Mary Buchanan Randolph, b. Nov. 23, 1818, d. Oct. 24, 1821
124 Caryanne Nicholas Randolph, b. Apr. 22, 1820, d. July 24, 1857, m. Dec. 28, 1840, Francis Gildart Ruffin (1816-1892)
125 Mary Buchanan Randolph, b. Dec. 17, 1821, d. June 23, 1884
126 Ellen Wayles Randolph, b. Dec. 1, 1823, d. Aug. 15, 1896, m. May 1, 1859, William Byrd Harrison (1800-1870)
127 Mary Jefferson Carr Randolph, b. Feb. 2, 1826, d. July 12, 1902, m. 1848, Charles Mason
128 Carolina Ramsay Randolph, b. Jan. 15, 1828, d. June 28, 1902
129 Thomas Jefferson Randolph, Jr., b. Aug. 29, 1829, d. Aug. 8, 1872, m. 1) July 20, 1853, Mary Walker Meriwether (1833-1863), m. 2), 1865, Charlotte Nelson Meriwether
12x Jane Nicholas Randolph, b. Oct. 11, 1831. d. Aug. 26, 1868, m. Apr. 24, 1854, Robert Garlick Hill Kean (1828-1898)
12a Wilson Cary Nicholas Randolph, b. Oct. 26, 1834, d. Apr. 26, 1907, m. 1) Nov. 11, 1858, Anne Elizabeth Holladay (1839-1888), m. 2) June 10, 1891, Mary McIntire (1855-1937)

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